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Cons:
Marathon Destinations
Oh the Places I Will Run
This week:
I haven't been everywhere yet, but
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PARAGON 2018
Do Something To Change The World
Things to grade:
- argumentative essays
- narrative essays
- more narrative essays
- IM quizzes
- vocab tests
- midterm exams
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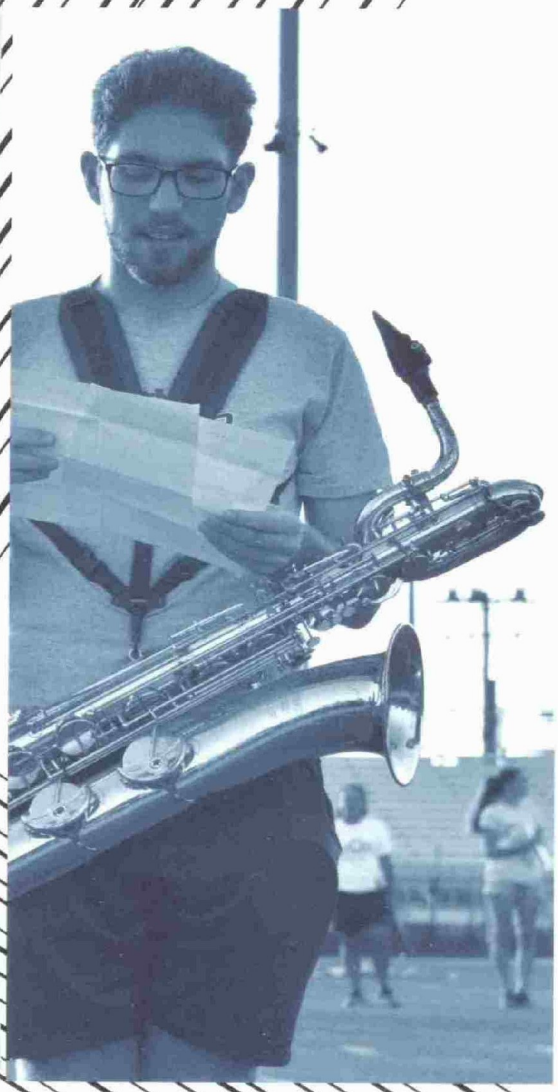
- ~~Be nice to everyone~~
- Get good grades
- Go to a good College
- Get my degree
- Move to Colorado
- Settle down
- enjoy life

Things I NEED to do!
- Make my own music
- Make my own clothing
- Meet Tyler the creator
- Make my dreams come true
- Go to a Travis Scott concert
- Make my parents proud
- Have more fun with my friends
- Inspire people
- Start getting into photography



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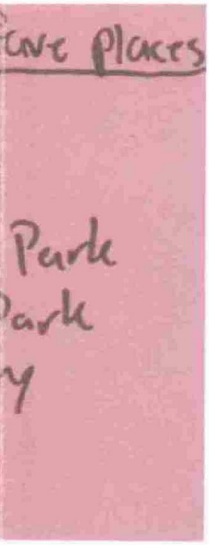

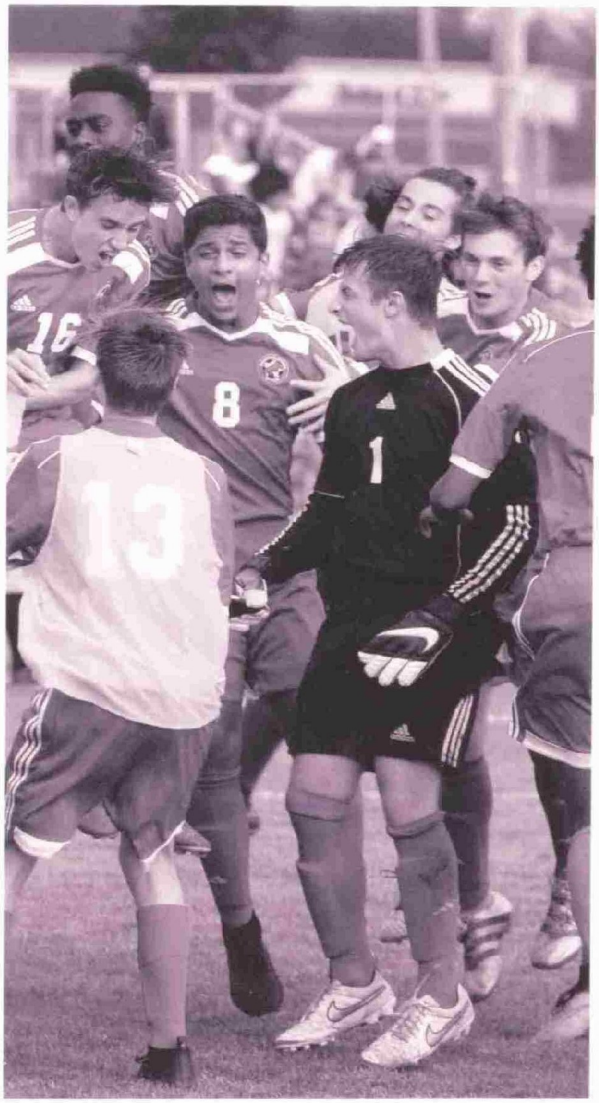

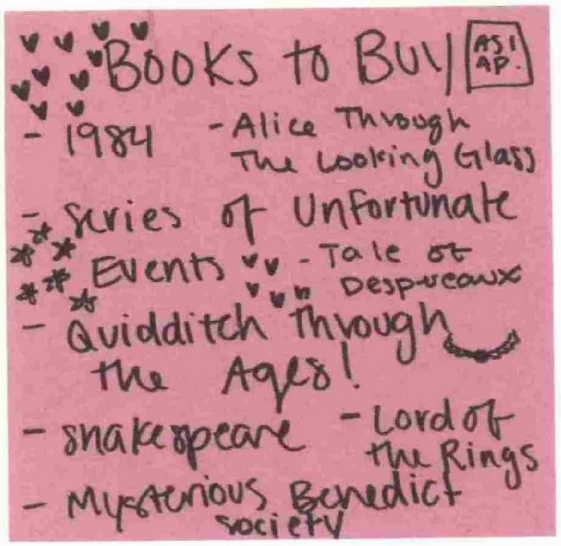

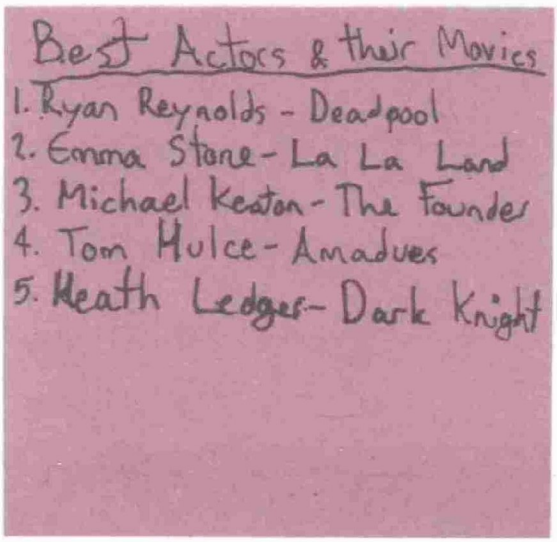

Music Man On the field, Riley McKeever, senior, scans his music at Marching Band practice after school. Band helped shape his plans for the future. "I learned the importance of being able to work well with others," Riley said. "This gave me determination to pursue anything I wanted. By never giving up, I found the strength and courage to do anything." **Circle Round** During the pep rally, juniors Jill Cuvalo and Cecilia Lipschultz throw their hands into a huddle. The girls gave the junior boys a pep talk before their tug of war game. "We were saying things like 'You got this,' 'You can't lose,' 'Represent our grade,'" Jill said. "This was pretty exciting because we could get involved and have a lot of fun with it." **Something to Shout About** At the Boys' Soccer game against Lake Central, juniors David Dafiaghor and Marco Amatulli, seniors Alex Spicer, Laith Srour, Kyle Snyder and Nate Kekelik celebrate their 3-1 victory. "It proved to many people that we were one of the best in the region," Laith said. "That game was magical. It all paid off with a big win."

Photos by Lauren Kozy, Megan Szymanski and Kess Varkus

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One Minute Kneeling on his podium, Drum Major Luciano Medina, senior, gets ready to restart practice after a break. The Marching Mustangs ranked fourth at state this season, their best placement in school history. "(This season) was the most stressful one out of all of them, but it was also the most gratifying at the end," Luciano said. "I thought we were able to put things together and play with a lot of passion." Photo by Nicole Roberts

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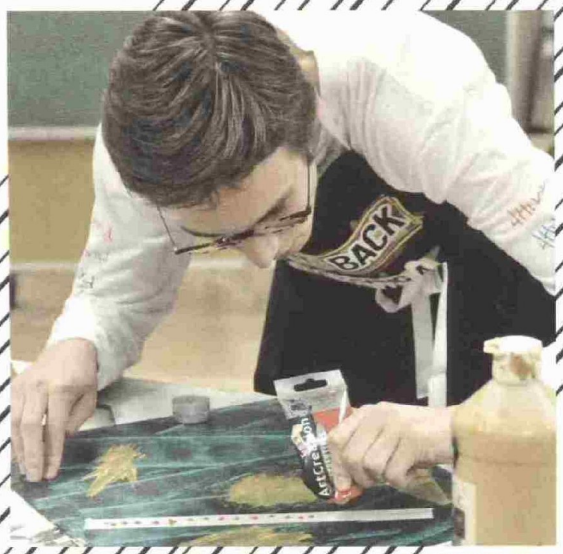
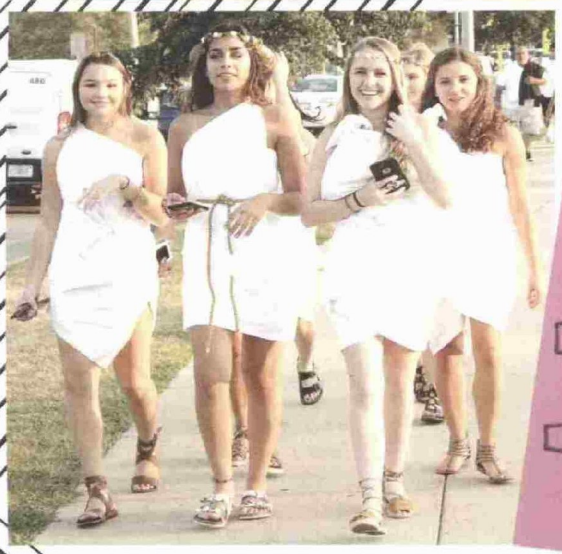
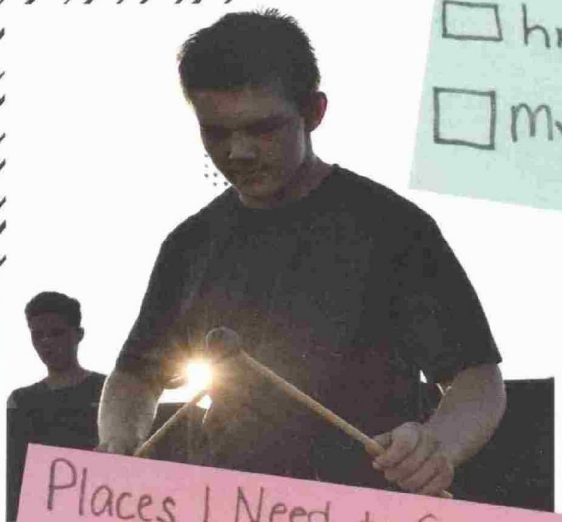
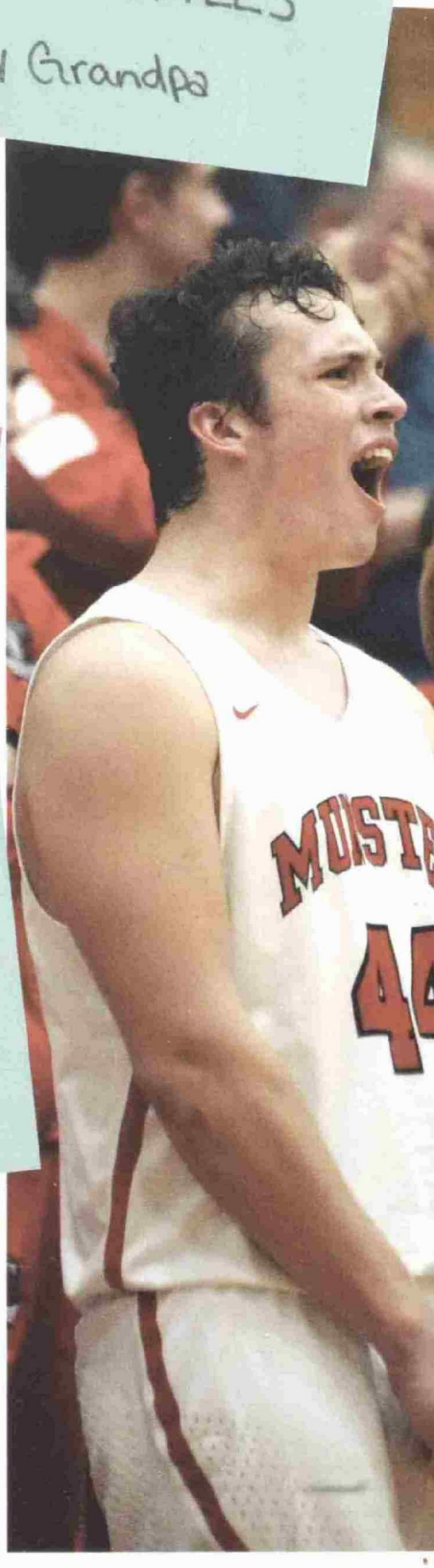
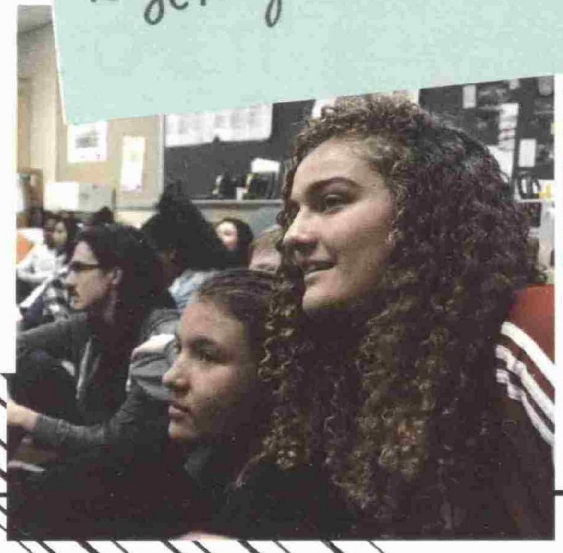










- [x] My brother
- [ ] Adele
- [ ] Shane Dawson
- [ ] Oprah
- [ ] Jimmy Fallon
- [ ] Harry Styles
- [ ] My Grandpa

Places I Need to Go...

- [ ] media center for a new battery
- [ ] Mr. Knight's room before school for help with integrals
- [ ] the auditorium to watch the improv show
- [ ] the weight room to workout after school

Projects

Let's be real, there's probably more I'm forgetting...

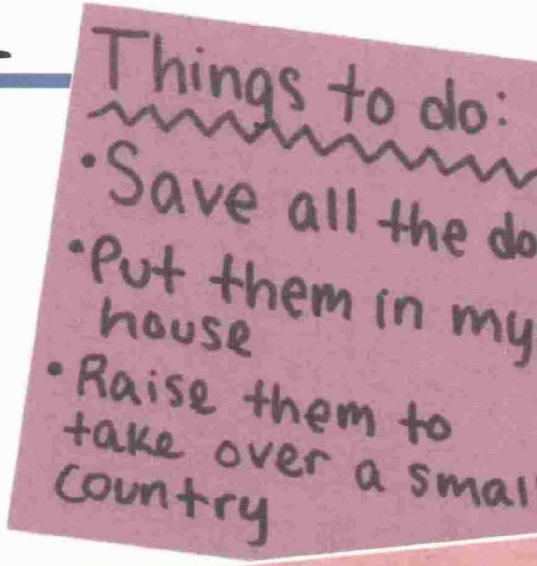
Straight Edge In the Painting I class, Josh Novosel, senior, works on a project. Throughout the year, students learned to paint with multiple medium. "[Mrs. Elena Lopez] let us do what we wanted," Josh said. "She would assign us something and then let us be free." **Band Beats** During a rehearsal for band, John Banaszak, freshman, practices the marimba. He was a part of the front ensemble, called the pit. "[Being in pit] fit my schedule with football," Josh said. "It was still busy, but I couldn't do drumline so it was a good fit." **Toga Time** Walking to the Homecoming game, juniors Eleanor Wilson, Petra Sweis, Moira Glowacki, and Maddy Lakomek are dressed in togas. The student section chose different themes for each football game. "The whole school came together and there was no separation of cliques or anything," Moira said. **Drill Spot** During a tornado drill, juniors Janica Van Ghunt and Madison Hansen wait it out in Mr. Bill Smitka's room. One of the requirements of tornado drills was to move to classrooms without windows. "It was fun to talk to your friends," Madison said. "Don't lie, we all knew we were whispering to our friends like 'Hey, what's up.'"

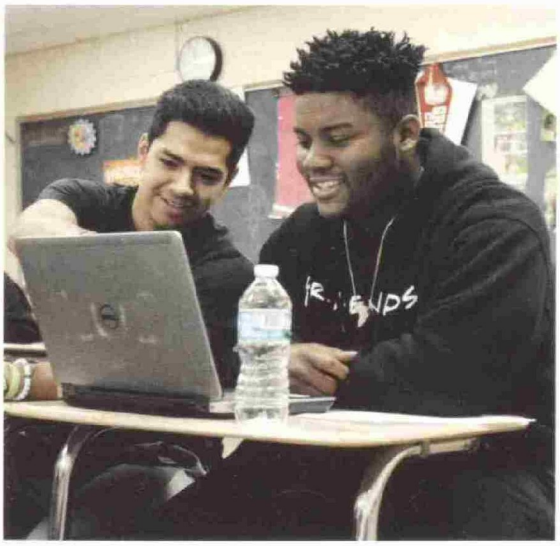
Photos by Sydney Paster, Elizabeth Fonseca, Megan Szymanski, Lauren Kozy

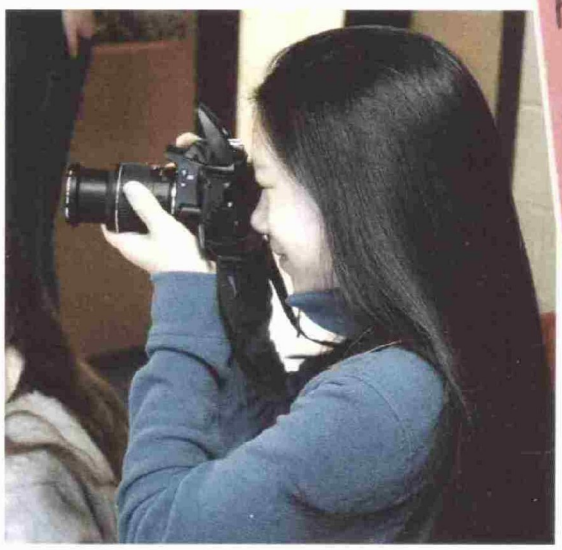
Game On During a Varsity Boys' Basketball game against Lake Central, Scott Farmer, junior, cheers his team on. The team won 58-54. "(Games) were really energetic and really competitive," he said. "It was fun watching different student sections go at it and it felt great winning." **Red and White** While downtown Chicago, Taneigh Boyd, senior, looks at a pair of Jordans. A new style had recently come out and she wanted a pair. "I own like 20-something pair of shoes," Taneigh said. **Trig Talk** During Ms. Val Pflum's Trigonometry class, seniors Carl Adindu and Xavier Unzueta work on homework. After teaching notes, Ms. Pflum often gave the class time to do homework. "She got her students involved and she was a really good teacher," Carl said. **Snap Shot** During Photography, Vanessa Situ, freshman, attempted to get the perfect angle. Photography classes introduced digital cameras into the curriculum rather than just film. "Since we used a lot of digital photography, I felt I could use what I learned on cameras that I will get," Vanessa said. Photos by Kess Vaitkus, Micala Boyd, Megan Szymanski, Moira Glowacki

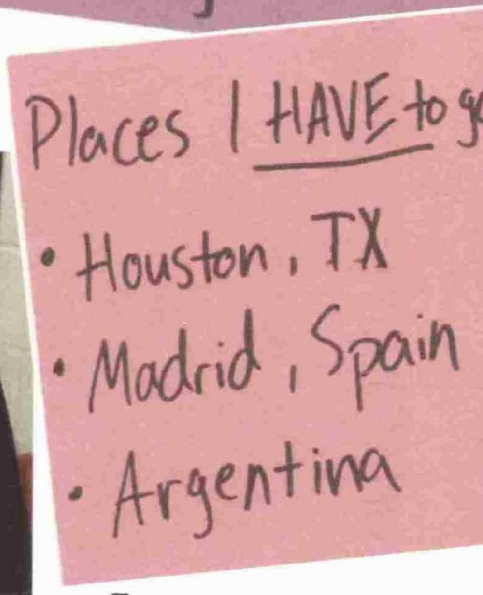
Here, there and EVERYWHERE

Going to the Dunes when school was cancelled because of the gas leak, getting Dunkin' every late start before school Tuesdays and Thursdays, seeing "Hamilton" in Chicago on the weekend or flying to Fort Lauderdale for Speech Nationals, snoozing until 9 a.m. when school was delayed two hours because of a power outage, cooing over the Nolans' baby, stressing over the next 1,000 words for Composition, taking pages (and pages) of notes for Mr. Herold's class, making long lists of homework assignments that need to be done and endless bucket lists of things to experience: so many **things to do** and **places to go** and **people to see**. It's impossible to have done it all. Even though I haven't been everywhere yet, IT'S ON MY LIST









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MAKING A LIST

And Checking It Twice

Teachers and students utilize to-do lists to help keep them organized and efficient Story by Kammy Moore

Lists were important for teachers and students to keep them motivated and on track with their school work and everyday tasks.

"Every week I used a to-do list for my school stuff and what I had to get done for the week, what I had to accomplish or grade or make or different things along those lines," Mrs. Jessica Baird, math teacher, said. "I was very much a list person because that was the way I thought."

With a busy life outside of school, Emma Higgason, sophomore, used lists to keep herself organized and on the right track.

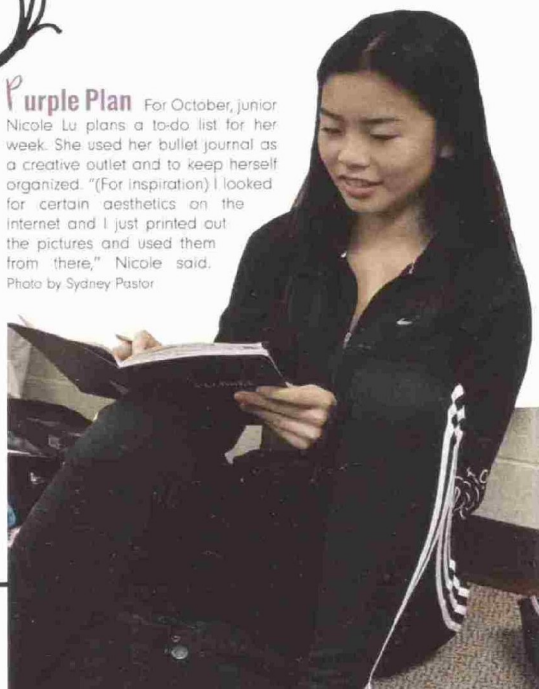
"In order to keep myself on task I liked to make myself schedules to get my work done, especially before finals," Emma said. "I planned out when I was going to dedicate time ahead of (finals) week so I was not super stressed. I had an agenda that I always wrote down everything in."

Students also made lists to remember things they had or wanted to do.

"I always made lists on my phone," Alexis Pedraza, senior, said. "I would make a list if I had to do something after school or if there was a certain way I wanted to do it. Or of ideas I had just so I didn't forget."

Keeping lists proved to be an effective way to keep busy and motivated.

"It always felt good to check something off the list," Mrs. Baird said. "You had an accomplishment that you made."



Purple Plan For October, junior Nicole Lu plans a to-do list for her week. She used her bullet journal as a creative outlet and to keep herself organized. "(For inspiration) I looked for certain aesthetics on the internet and I just printed out the pictures and used them from there," Nicole said. Photo by Sydney Pastor

Shopping Spree

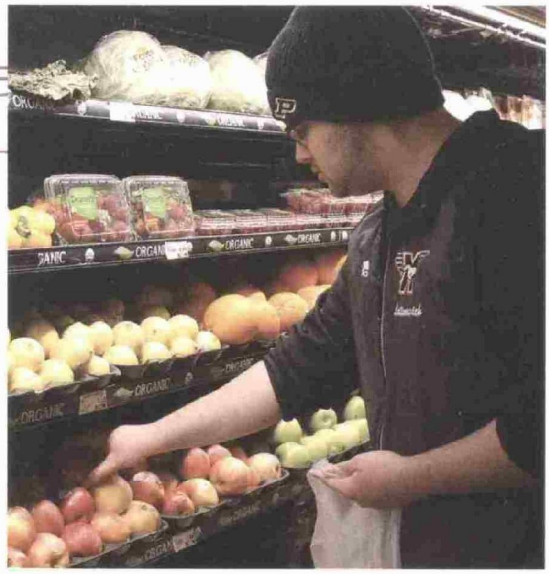
Shopping lists for the big and small: helping students keep track of what to buy for different occasions, either for personal or charitable reasons

Gathering Ingredients

Apple Cake

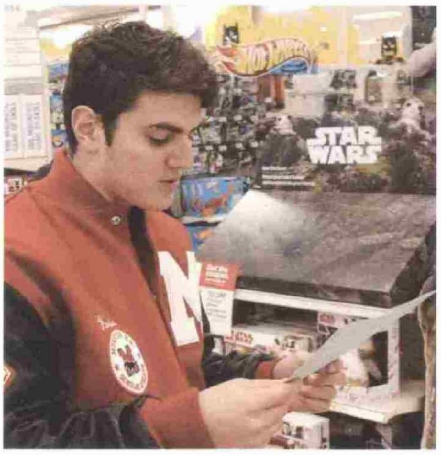
3 eggs
2 cups flour
1½ sugar
1 cup oil
1 tsp cinnamon & baking powder
1½ cups walnuts
4 apples

To Make a Cake With the above list in hand, Will Latinovich, junior, buys his ingredients for his apple cake. Will took part in the cooking classes at the Area Career Center to help strengthen his passion for baking. Photo by Sydney Pastor



Apple of the Eye Picking out the best apples, Will Latinovich, junior, shares his shopping list. He was at Strack and Van Til to pick up ingredients for an apple cake. "I went shopping and made lists every two to three weeks," Will said. Photo by Sydney Pastor

Buying for Mustang Toy Round-Up



- ☑ jeans
- ☑ Squishies
- ☑ jacket
- ☑ headphones

Toy Drive Wish List

Santa's Little Helper While shopping with the Football team at Target for the annual Mustang Toy Drive, Kosta Fotopolous, junior, checks a list of toys. "My favorite part was knowing that you were helping a kid in need, giving them what they wanted," Kosta said. Photo by Kess Vaitkus

Paragon asked, you answered, making lists out of your responses on the pages to follow

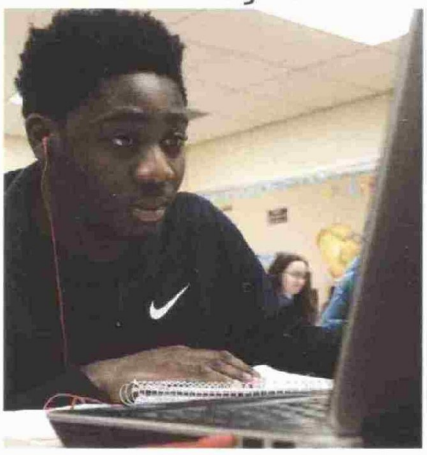
WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

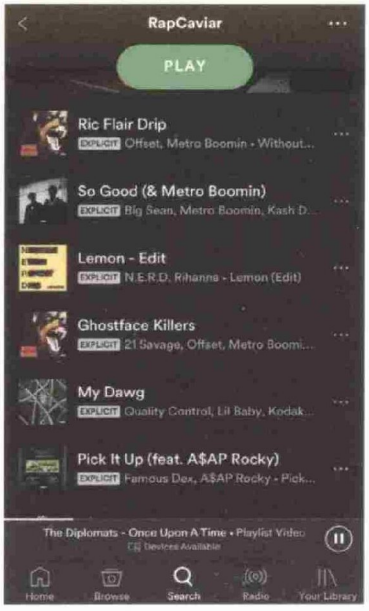
What's the most important list you've ever made?

- ☐ Grocery List — Javaughn Richards, 11
- ☐ Christmas list — Clara Terry, 10
- ☐ College options — Abby Watts, 11
- ☐ How to make ramen — Robert Wente, 12
- ☐ Types of pasta — Kelli Little, 11
- ☐ Mood playlists — Maya Radjenovich, 11
- ☐ Shopping list — Tommy Ryan, 11

Perfect Playlist

Kwame Nnuro-Frimpong, senior, shares his favorite music playlists

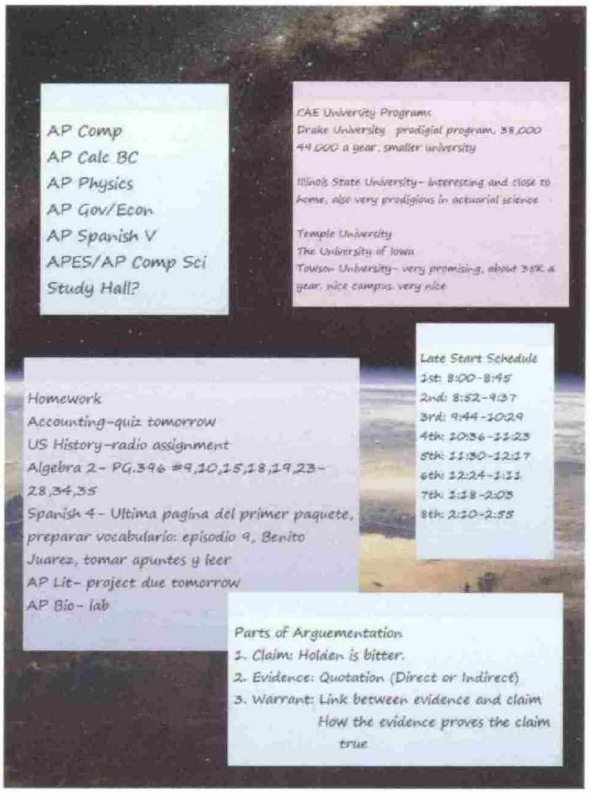




Favorite Tunes While going over AP Bio homework, Kwame Nnuro-Frimpong, senior, listens to Spotify's Rap Caviar playlist (pictured left). He preferred Spotify for streaming music because he could make his own playlists. "I probably spent seven hours a day listening to music," Kwame said. Photo by Sydney Pastor

Desktop Reminders

Juniors Brendan Bleza (*pink and purple*) and Eli Stricker (*blue*) keep reminders and lists on the desktop of their Dell laptops using sticky notes



COMMON knowledge

Noteworthy people to see, things to do and places to go in the Commons

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Safety

In case of emergency, there were four fire alarms and one fire extinguisher in the Commons.

Mustang Corral

On early days, the school store opened at 7:15 a.m. On late days, it opened at 7:30 a.m. The store closed at 3:20 p.m. everyday. The busiest days were Thursdays after school when fresh baked cookies were sold for $1.

Benches

There were 17 different benches throughout the Commons.

Weight Room

On a typical day after school, there were 39 people working out in the weight room.

Welcoming Mustang

In the Faculty Hall of Fame induction ceremony, Mr. John Edington, former science teacher, talked about how this was installed in the Commons in MHS's early years and how the mascot was inspired by the Ford convertible in the 1960s.

Main Office

The school can be contacted in the Main office by calling the number 219-836-3200.

There were always **people to see** in the Commons such as the administrators chatting in the center. Standing in clusters after lunch or learning more information about visiting colleges; there was always **things to do**. The Commons was full of **places to go** such as the Mustang Corral, Main Office, Student Services and the weight room. Have you been everywhere yet?

Banners

There were 15 Munster excellence banners hanging under the windows.

Ceiling Tiles

In search of a place to practice with high enough ceilings, Color Guard used the Commons. Tossing, flourishing and spinning flags high into the air, the girls accidently punctured the ceiling 16 times.

Hall of Fame

There were 22 plaques hanging in the Hall of Fame and 462 picture frames hanging on the walls.

Electricity

There were 26 sockets that could be found in the Commons, which students were not permitted to use during the school day.

Student Services

On an typical Monday morning with good weather and no train delays, 12 people were late to school. The number of phones confiscated ranged from 1 - 20 everyday, according to Mr. Morgan Nolan, assistant principal.

Common Ground During fourth hour lunch, freshmen Clayton Bubash and Jeremiah Lovett wait for Mustang Resource Time to begin. They always left lunch early to hang out in the Commons. "It was a laid back chill out place where I joked around with all of my friends," Clayton said. Photo by Micala Boyd

Hometown Treats

Students discuss the food options Munster has to offer and what they wish would open up locally

Story by Kammy Moore

What comes to mind when you think of things to do in Munster? Is it visiting Mod Pizza with your team after soccer practice, or visiting the movies when "Thor: Ragnarok" hits theaters? Though these places may be ten minutes away from your house, none of them are actually in Munster. So, what is there to do?

"I lived by Calumet and there was a lot of food options right there, but in terms of things to do I felt like it was kind of limited, they were all in Schererville or St. John," Gwynn Hammermeister, senior, said.

Munster had a lot more food options than other activities.

"I thought we were pretty diverse," Bradley Jimenez-Medina, sophomore, said. "We had a lot of places we could get food from."

The list of restaurants included chains like Potbelly and Panera, to local businesses like Froyo,providing a variety of food for students to enjoy.

"I went out with my friends around town often, about two or three times every week," Nicole Dominguez, sophomore, said. "Usually we went out to eat. I wished there were more things to do because usually for all the fun stuff you had to go to Schereville to do them, and that was really far. If they could have opened an arcade or something around here, then that would have been really nice."

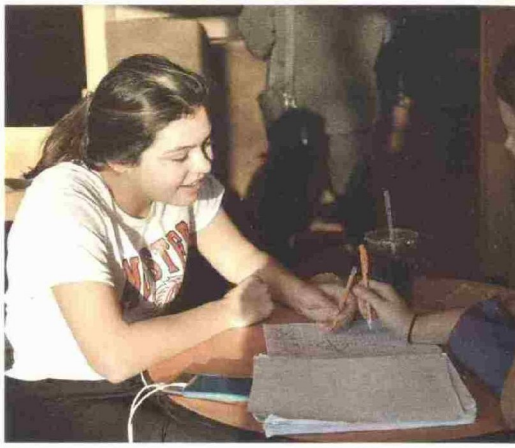
Though some wish there were more activities to do around Munster, others were fine with the available options.

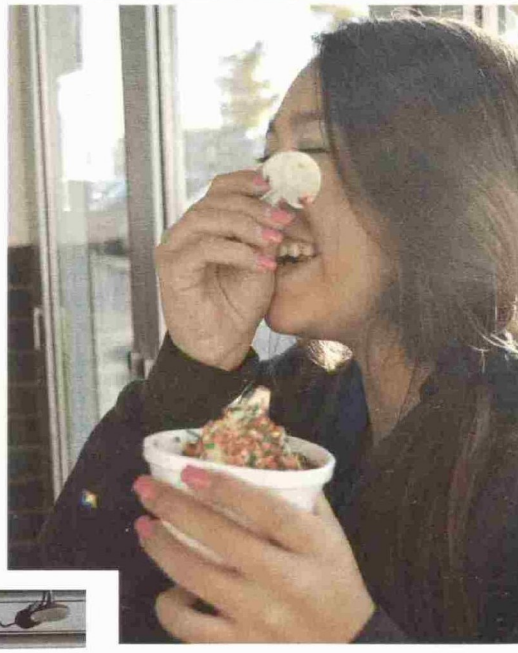
"In my opinion, food was the only thing that mattered and it was the only thing I ever wanted to do, so I didn't really have a problem with food being the only thing you could do in Munster," Bradley said. "Although I did wish a Chick-fil-A would open, because it was the best, and I didn't want to drive all the way to Southlake Mall to get some Chick-fil-A."

Smiles and Sprinkles Laughing, Corina Cabrales, junior, enjoys her frozen yogurt. She ordered vanilla yogurt with sprinkles. "I liked Froyo because they had a lot of choices and different things to order," Corina said. Photo by Lauren Kozy

Job Wanted Sitting in Dunkin' Donuts, Katelyn Sarmiento, junior, applies for a job. She decided to apply because Dunkin was one of her favorite places. "I felt like it would be a really fun place to work," Katelyn said. Photo by Melanie Powers

Study Habits Going over their proofs for geometry, Sophia Farias, freshman, and Becky Jones, sophomore, study in Panera. The two walked there after school. "We were hungry and we needed a quiet place to work," Sophia said. Photo by Robert Young

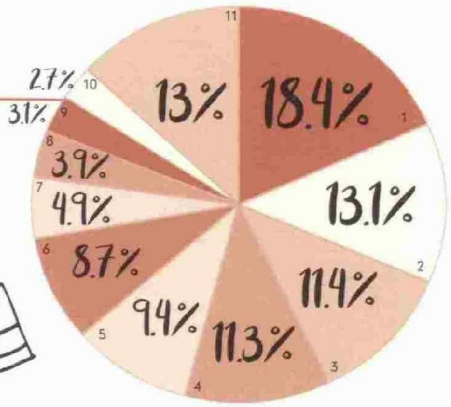




Taste of Munster

Students' favorite places to eat in Munster

1. Chipotle
2. Noodles
3. Panera
4. Potbelly
5. Meatheads
6. Five Guys
7. Dunkin Donuts
8. Munster Donut
9. Starbucks
10. Froyo
11. Other



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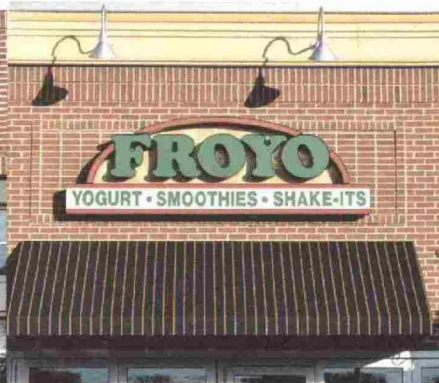
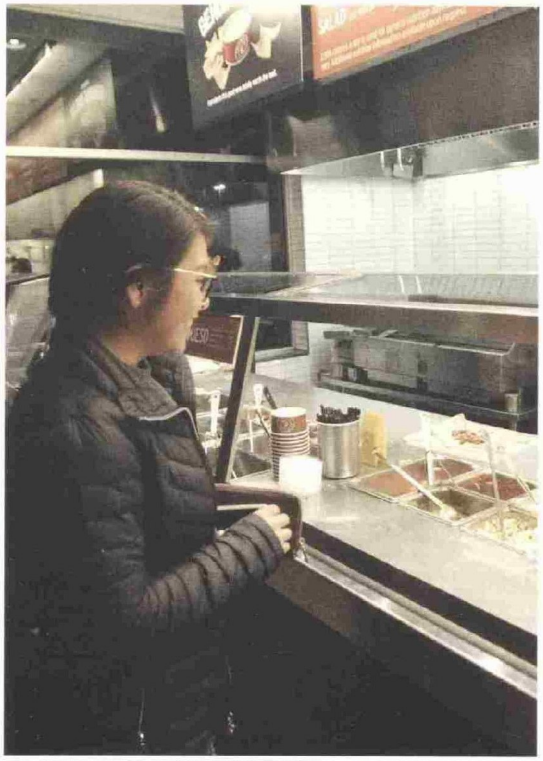
Local Faves

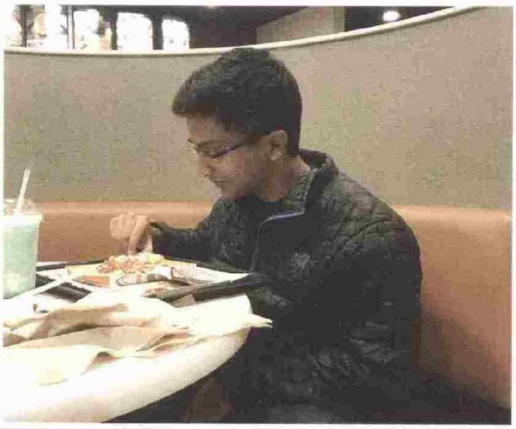
Some of the most popular restuarants located in Munster along Calument Ave.





Chips and Guac Standing in line, Viviana Gonzales, junior, orders at Chipotle. She ordered a steak taco with lettuce, cheese, and sour cream. "I loved getting the burrito bowls, and their rice was probably my favorite," Viviana said. "I just really loved Chipotle." Photo by Megan Szymanski

Taco Time Picking up his pizza, Shreyas Iyer, junior, gets ready to enjoy Taco Bell. He ordered a Mexican pizza and a Baja Blast. "I always went to taco bell with my friends," Shreyas said. "It was a fun place to hang out." Photo by Easan Venkat

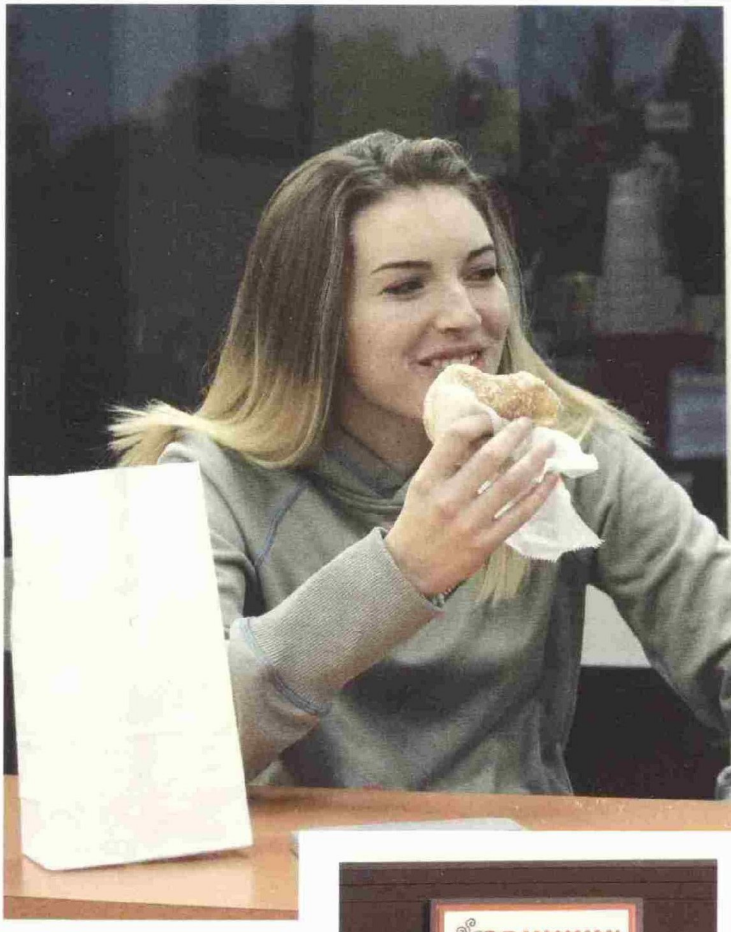


WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

What's your go-to place in Munster?

- ☐ Target — Anna Speckhard, 9
- ☐ Chipotle — Allison Demeter, 12
- ☐ Starbucks — Emily Shu, 9
- ☐ Library — Jack Gauderman, 9
- ☐ Sophia Sakelaris's — Victoria Williams, 12
- ☐ White Oak Park — Osama Safi, 12

Sugar Rush Enjoying their donuts, Madison Meyer, junior, and Carsyn DeLooff, senior, laugh together at Munster Donut. The two stopped in for a late night visit. "I thought that you got good quality donuts for a low price, and it was fun because I knew people that worked there," Madison said. Photo by Melanie Powers



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Which brings us the next POINTE

Dancing for over half of her life, Liv Rivich, senior, shares where her pointe shoes have taken her

Story by Micala Boyd

Relevé. Plié. Pirouette. This French ballet lingo became senior Liv Rivich's second language when studying for the test that would determine the next step in her dancing career.

"I actually studied for it," Liv said. "I made flashcards and everything."

At the Hyde Park School of Dance, dancers were required to take a vocabulary test and level placement test to progress to the next stage of ballet, going on pointe.

"It was nerve-wracking because if you didn't pass that, you would have to wait to a whole other year to get your pointe shoes," she said.

A couple weeks before her 12th birthday, Liv passed the test and purchased her first pair ever.

"My dance teacher took the group of us that got them to the dance store and got our shoes fitted for us," she said. "I finally felt like a real dancer when I first got them."

The structure of pointe shoes differed tremendously compared to the pre-ballet slipper, according to Liv. A common misconception was that pointe shoes were made of wood; however, most pointe shoes were made structured with glue and papier-mâché, which was then covered in satin.

"It was so weird to get fitted in pointe shoes because they said all this stuff about my feet that I never knew," she said. "Like I had a narrow heel. No one thought about that with normal shoes. It was interesting to see that there was a whole world of vocabulary."

Dancing on pointe involved learning new skills. Around when she got her new shoes, she went to New York for a summer intensive dance program.

"I went to Joffrey New York over the summer," she said. "It was awesome because we were in the Joffrey New York studios, which are recognized by dancers all around. Even walking on the street you could spot a ballerina. It was really cool because I made me feel like I wasn't just in a little bubble anymore. It was everywhere."

As a senior in high school, she had been dancing for nearly 14 years, and her pointe shoes had taken her many places. Perhaps the most notable, according to her, was dancing at the Auditorium Theatre of Roosevelt University.

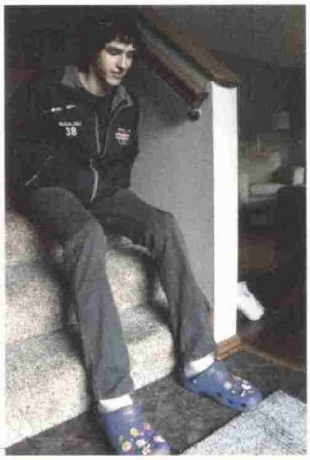
"I had never really been scared of performing and it wasn't that I was scared, it was just so exhilarating," Liv said. "The audience was huge. I couldn't see anyone, but just knowing they were there wasn't even scary. At that point, it almost felt it wasn't real."

She hoped to take her shoes to many more stages in her future.

"I would be dancing with either New York City Ballet (Company) or American Ballet Theatre with these shoes, but that was fantasy," Liv said. "I wanted to go to college to get into IU's Jacobs School of Music ballet program. This was pretty realistic for me, so that was what I was going for."

One Step Ahead

Student take it to the next level by personalizing their shoes to create their own unique look



Colored Converse "There was this scene in (the movie) 'The Last Song.' They were drawing on their shoes so I started doing it and then I started getting more interested in paint, so I stopped drawing on my shoes and started painting them more." —Mia Bissias, senior

Jibbitz Game "These are all, like, my childhood. Not all of them, but a lot of them were my childhood icons, like Gary, the mushroom." —James Bugaski, senior

Sole music "I mainly get my inspiration from the music I listen to, anything psychedelic, really." —Ella Uylaki, junior

Photos by Sydney Pastor

Fish Out of Water

Environmental Science class gives Cameron Smith, sophomore, an opportunity to experiment specialized shoes

Story by Micala Boyd

Students had the opportunity to scuba dive or snorkel amongst tropical fish and a variety of coral formations in the Environmental Science class who went on an annual trip to the Florida Keys. Cameron Adams, sophomore, took his flippers with him to see the wonders of Looe Key Reef.

"(The flippers) were clumsy," Cameron said. "All the weight was moreso in the front instead of spread. It was kind of like a duck. I kind of had to waddle backwards. I couldn't walk forward, otherwise I tripped and fell on my face."

While all students were at least required to snorkel, becoming scuba certified was an optional opportunity offered.

"I really liked swimming and was interested in oceanography," he said. "I felt like that would cool to get underneath and look at the coral structures and see all the tropical fish that we didn't get to see around here."

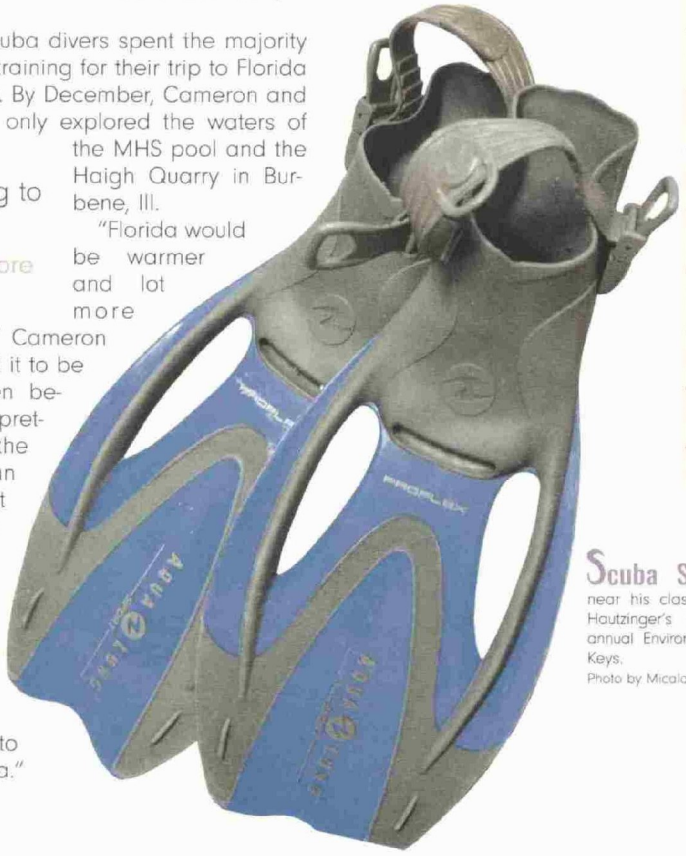
While Cameron was excited to examine the different coral structure types and identify different fish types on the trip. He did have one concern.

"I was scared I was going to anger a barracuda," he said. "It would chase me (if I did)."

> "I was scared I was going to anger a barracuda."
>
> —Cameron Smith, sophomore

The student scuba divers spent the majority of first semester training for their trip to Florida second semester. By December, Cameron and his flippers had only explored the waters of the MHS pool and the Haigh Quarry in Burbene, Ill.

"Florida would be warmer and lot more fun and bigger," Cameron said. "I expected it to be a lot more open because we were pretty confined in the quarry. The ocean wasn't really that confined. It was vast and you could see for miles if the clarity was good. But in the pool and in the quarry I was confined to such a small area."



Scuba Shoes Inside a display case near his classroom, science teacher, Mr. Larry Hautzinger's flippers are used to advertize the annual Environmental Science trip to the Florida Keys.
Photo by Micala Boyd

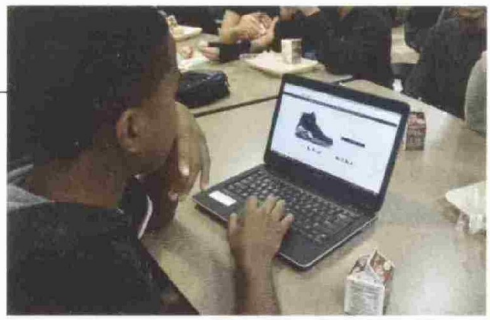
WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

What's your favorite shoe brand?

- ☐ Birkenstock — Chase Persic, 10
- ☐ Nike — Will Stephan, 11
- ☐ Vans — Katie Bobb, 11
- ☐ Gucci — Verania Rivera, 12
- ☐ Asics — Ben Peters, 11
- ☐ Doc Martens — Lilly Lemke, 11
- ☐ Converse — Jessica Tucker, 11

Here, There, Everywhere

No matter where we go to buy our shoes, there is always a story behind place we went while wearing them. Here is where we bought our shoes



Online Buys Because variety is important to Aric White, freshman, he shops for shoes on fightclub.com during his lunch hour. While he browsed the website, he found interest in Jordans. "They had mostly every shoe and color," Aric said. Photo by Elizabeth Fonseca

If the Shoe fits Walking out of Nordstrom Rack in Schererville, Taylor Moreno, senior, buys booties at her favorite place to buy shoes. She typically went once a month. "I went to Nordstrom to buy my shoes because they were affordable and stylish," she said. Photo by Emily Mudroncik

Guilty Pleasure Walking out of Goodwill in Lansing, Maeve Riley, senior, wears a jean jacket she bought there. She bought shoes at Goodwill every time she went. "I liked shopping here because it was so cheap and unique," Maeve said. "I liked to make things my own. I felt less guilty because it wasn't a lot of money." Photo by Emily Mudroncik

Academics to Study:

Memorize lyrics to calculus carols, present Pride and Prejudice project, act out Romeo and Juliet, critique sketches in 2D art, play line soccer, practice CPR on the dummy, learn how to pitch a tent, code websites, develop photos, walk to WWMS for Honors Biology, tune instruments before orchestra, and write geometry proofs

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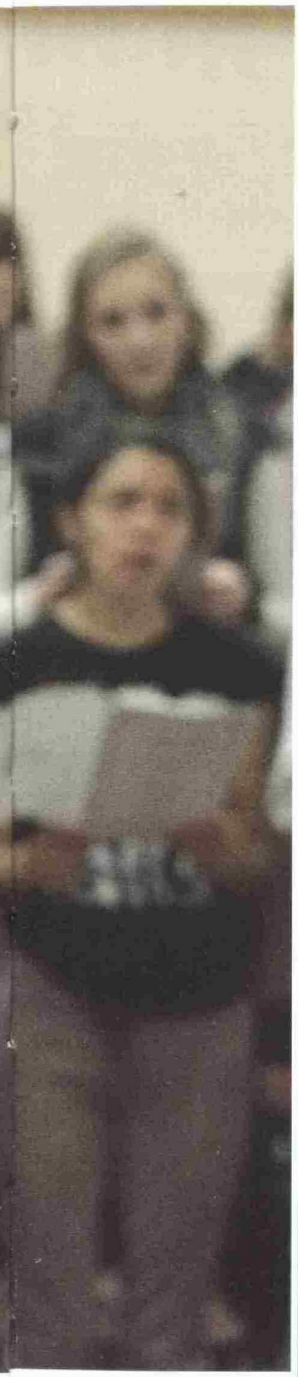


From above Helping Mr. Larry Hautzinger, science teacher, in Physics I, Josh Dragicevich, senior, drops weights down from the bleachers. The class was trying to determine whether or not gravity was constant. "I think that in order to fully grasp theories in physics you have to see them before going into the formulas," Josh said.

Smile ready In photography class, Chloe Lambert, sophomore, poses for Ashton Rivera, freshman. They took turns photographing one another. "I liked photography because it was creative, and I got to express myself," Chloe said

Eyes on her In the front row, Mitchell Buffano, junior, focuses on math teacher Mrs. Lyndee Govert's lecture. She showed them how math could be used outside of school. "Math was very important in every day life," Mitchell said. "Math will help people get jobs in technical careers like engineering and construction."

Choir bond In her third year as choir memeber, Maya Radjenovich, junior, sings with Chorale. She enjoyed the family-like feeling of the choir. "Chorale was very much centered around being a family," Maya said. "I had learned how to fit in with so many different types of people."

Photos by Kess Vaitkus, Mimi Brody and Taylor Homans

WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

What class do you most enjoy?

- Biology — Nathan Allerding, 9
- AP Lit — Brendan Bleza, 11
- AP Psych — Katie Bobb, 11
- Project Bio — Griffin Broviak, 11
- Ceramics — Jack Burian, 9
- AP Psych — Casey Meidgin, 11
- English — Corina Cabrales, 11
- GYM — Alice Foley, 9
- AP United States History — Sara Arndt, 11
- AP Physics — John Foster, 12
- AP Chem — Hannah Giba, 12
- PLTW Biomed — Taylor Graham, 9
- AP PSYCHOLOGY — Cali Grzybowski, 11
- AP Calculus — Khaleel Igue, 12
- Algebra — Waaniya Irfan, 9
- Gym — Carson Kekelik, 9
- AP Human Geography — Savannah Kunas, 9
- AP Chemistry — Justin Lee, 11
- French — Hope Meierkort, 10
- AP Psych — Linda Plebanski, 11
- Comp — Francesca Servi, 12

ENGAGE
in the class

Teachers share reasons why they feel hands on learning is important

Story by Abbey Burris

There were many approaches to teaching, but it could be argued that a hands-on experience was the best approach.

"It (hands-on learning) was a way of taking things that were abstract and putting them into a more concrete setting," Mr. Keith Koszut, science teacher, said.

Science classes such as Chemistry and Physics used this approach.

"I found that in the scientific setting you couldn't understand how (fundamental principles of physics) worked in any particular physical setting without trying them out in at least simplified physical settings," Mr. Koszut said.

However, hands-on learning applied to fields outside science as well.

"Nobody liked to just sit and stare," Ms. Leigh Ann Westland, English teacher, said. "Everyone was more engaged when they were active and doing something."

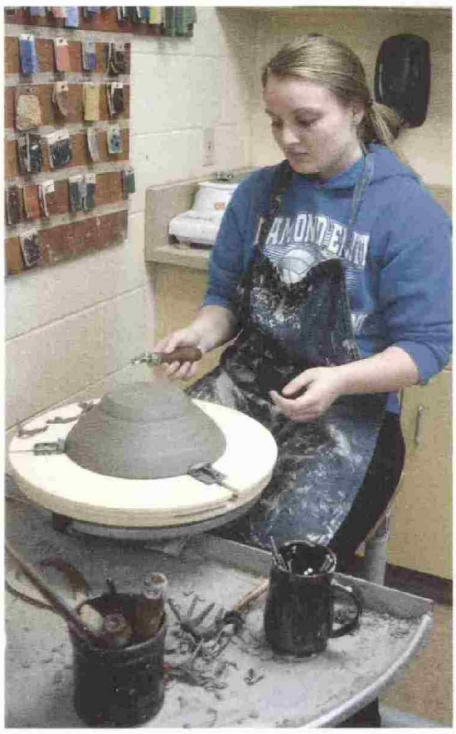
Many math classes participated in hands-on learning experiences. One example was math teacher Mrs. Jessica Baird's statistics class. Students counted Skittles to figure out their bag's distribution of colors.

"I thought the hands-on learning allowed students to actually use the math that they were learning and put it into real life context," Mrs. Baird said. "They could see how it could be used in the outside world. A lot of students had issues of 'When will I ever use this outside of school?' and that gives them an example of how they could use it and how it could be beneficial."

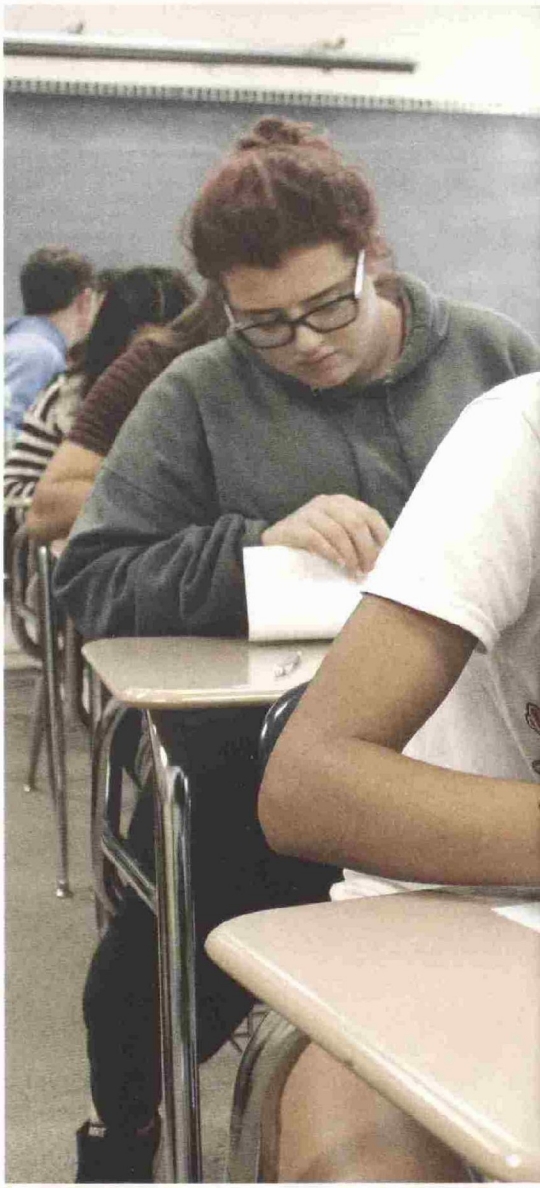
When students were able to apply their knowledge, that was when the greatest impact has been made.

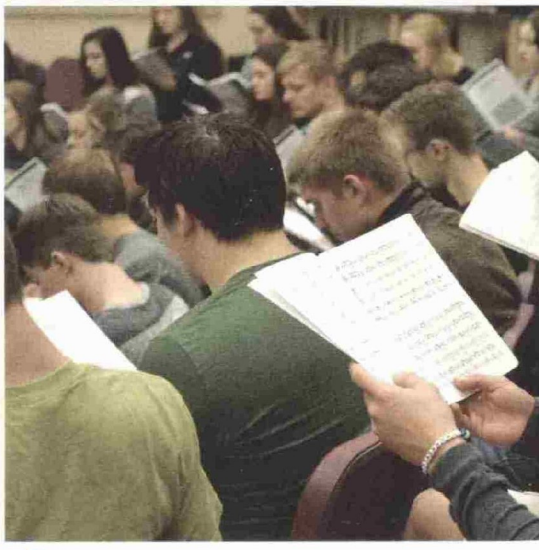
"People learned by doing," Ms. Westland said. "You couldn't just tell somebody how to ride a bike."

Life Size To prevent her painting from bleeding onto the floor, Mia Bissias, senior, works on taping her portfolio together in Painting I. Her favorite type of art was drawing. "I had been drawing since I was little," Mia said.
Photo by Megan Szymanski

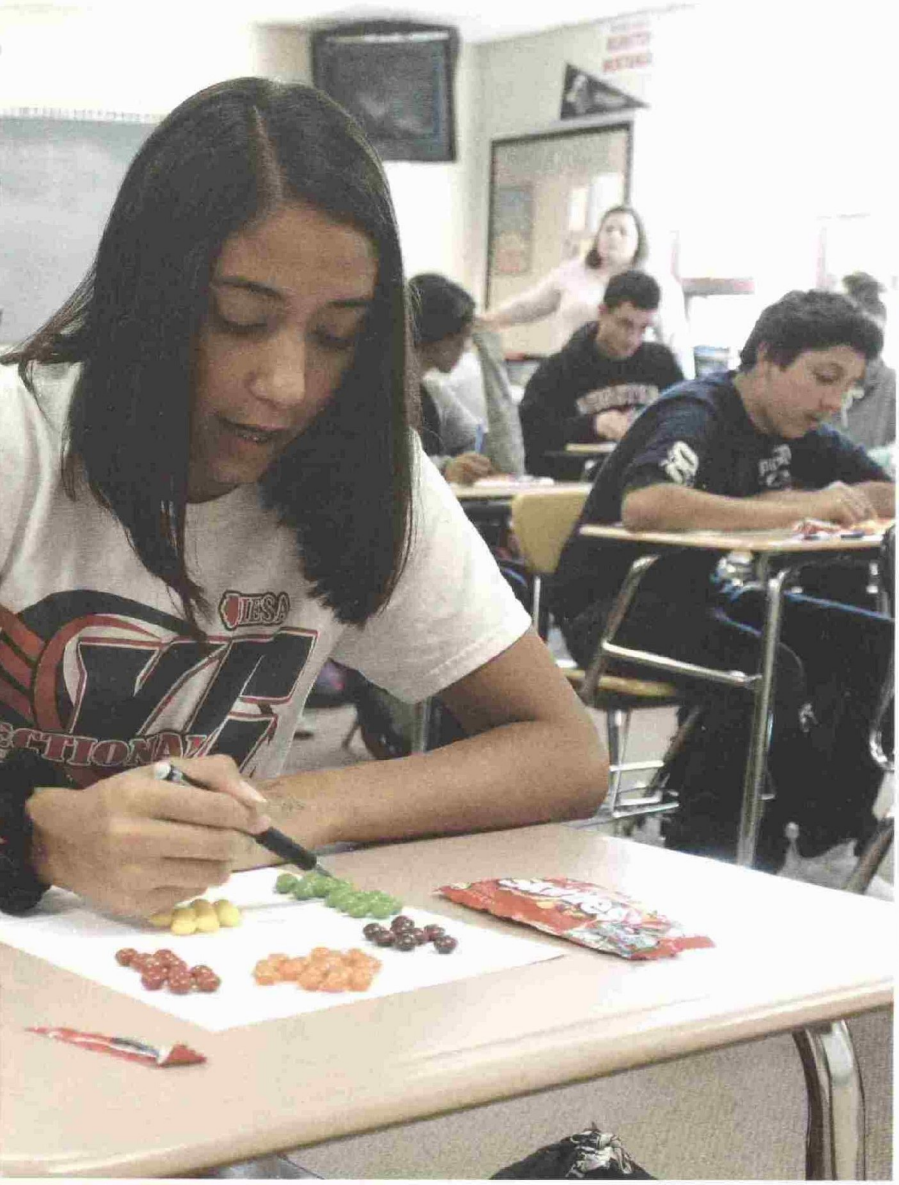


Potter's Hand With five years of practice, Grace Iwachiw, senior, works at the wheel to finish her bowl. She was in Ceramics V. "It was something I didn't know I was interested in during middle school," Grace said. "I was never really interested in 2D, but I felt something for 3D art. I was really excited for Ceramics I in high school, and I've just loved it since." Photo by Victoria Reardon





Holiday Prep In Chorale, Dimitri Chioros, junior, practices singing "Biddy Bum" with his fellow peers in preparation for the Christmas season. Christmas was the busiest time of year for Chorale. "Choir felt like one big family," Dimitri said. "It was like a second home."
Photo by Taylor Homans



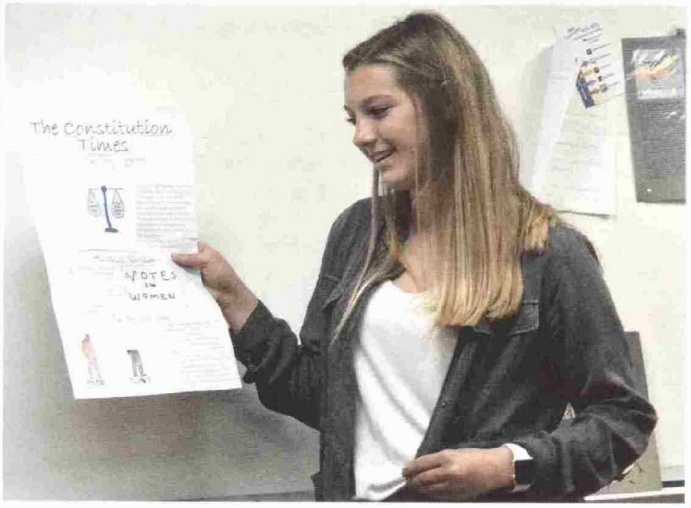
Count the Rainbow Counting her Skittles in probability and statistics, Elise Garcia, senior, figures out the distribution of her bag. This was one of the many in-class activities the class did to understand how distrubution can be used in the real world. "I am a hands-on learner and so when I am touching things and people are telling me what to do, I understand it better," Elise said. Photo by Micala Boyd

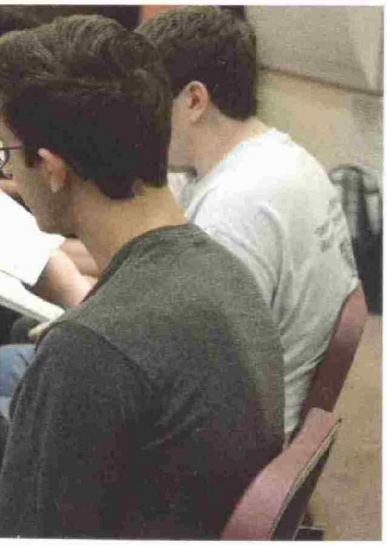
Constitution Times For Mr. Bill Smitka's U.S. History class, Hailey Thill, junior, presents her newspaper project. Their paper covered the topics of womens' rights, the three-fifths law, and balancing of state and federal power. "I enjoyed learning about things I didn't know had happened and working with a partner," Haley said. Photo by Elizabeth Fonseca

WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

What class are you most engaged in?

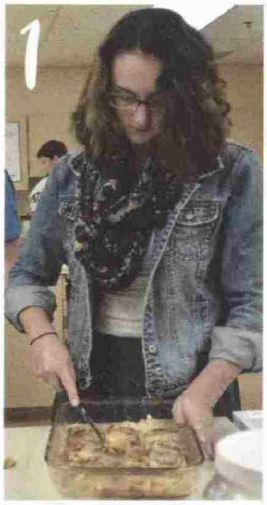
- ☐ Drawing — Lauren Slava, 10
- ☐ Choir — Cris Aguilar, 10
- ☐ AP Psych — Chris McLeod, 12
- ☐ Spanish — Jenny Garcia, 10
- ☐ Foods — Joey Duenas, 11
- ☐ Government — Matthew Armour, 12
- ☐ Theater — Olivia Candelaria, 9
- ☐ 2D Art — Simone Gill, 11
- ☐ APES — Evan Conway, 12
- ☐ French — Nathan Allerding, 9

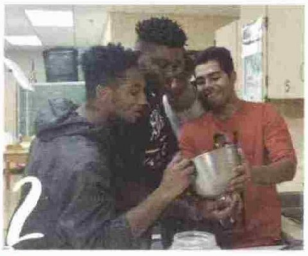




How to: Cinnamon Rolls

Foods students prepare and bake cinnamon rolls in class after a demonstration by Ms. Carly Kveaton, substitute teacher for FACS





Day 1: Before the class begins to make their own batch of cinnamon rolls, Ms. Kveton demonstrates to the class the process. She showed her class the correct way to prepare the dough and the temperature for the oven. Here, she cuts the end product and to pass it out to students.

2: For their first day in the kitchen, Rasuli Muhammad, junior, and seniors Carl Adindu, James Forde and Xavier Unzueta check their cinnamon roll dough and cream cheese frosting.

3: On the last day in the kitchen, Anthony Guba, senior and juniors Jacob Freeman, and Thomas Ryan, spread icing on their freshly made cinnamon rolls.

Photos by Elizabeth Fonseca. Source: Ms. Carly Kreavton

OUT
of the classroom

Art classes take numerous field trips throughout the year

Story by Kammy Moore

Besides serving as an excuse to get out of school, field trips were an opportunity for art students to explore and become inspired.

"Usually we went to colleges or museums in Chicago," Jari Martinez, senior, said. "I preferred the museums because there was more to see and more to inspire you."

The students enjoyed the days where they got to miss classes.

"My favorite was the Museum of Contemporary Art because it had a lot of recent art and we got freedom in that field trip," Adamari Yepez, sophomore, said.

Choir classes also took a large amount of field trips in December to sing holiday carols, causing them to miss a lot of classes.

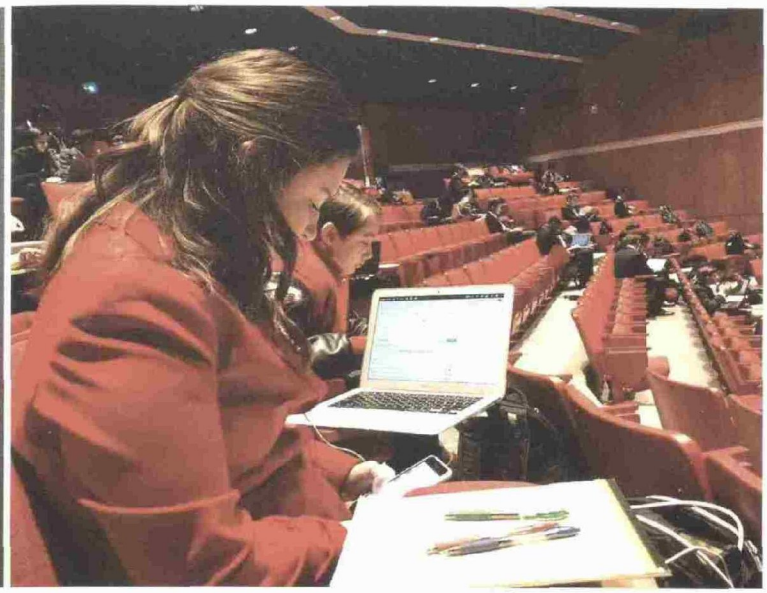
"I was struggling a bit because we had nine (concerts) in one week," Kelly Collins, junior, said. "It was very stressful, but it was worth it."

Field trips could serve as learning experiences for arts which require involvement outside the classroom.

"Not every student learned the best in a classroom environment," Cali Grzybowski, junior, said. "Field trips really gave those kinds of students the chance to learn outside of the classroom and in a different space. It doesn't always have to be textbook lessons and facts."

Taco Talks Holding Spanish themed gifts, seniors Izzy Malagon and Alainna Carey chat with middle schoolers at Wilbur Wright. The foreign language department took a trip to the middle school to talk about taking foreign language classes. "Spanish was a really important language because it was one of the most predominant," Izzy said. "It was important for people to learn it." Photo by Micala Boyd

Seeing Blue On a trip to the Museum of Science and Industry, Chloe Moffett, senior, plays with color. The students saw an exhibit that explained how colors could be absorbed and manipulated. "My favorite part of the trip was being able to walk around the museum with my friends," Chloe said. Photo by Ian Brundige



Work of Art On an art field trip to the Museum of Science and Industry, Brianna Alvarez and Andrea Lopez, seniors, view an art exhibit. In early January, Ms. Elena Lopez's art classes traveled to MSI to see a showcase of black artists' work. "I really liked what the different artists had to say about different aspects of culture," Andrea said.
Photo by Ian Brundige

Civic Mind At Harvard University for a Speech competition, Jackie Webber, junior, and Noel Fary, sophomore, prep for their next event. She and her partner, Easan Venkat, senior, had thirty minutes to write a seven-minute speech answering a question about politics. "I saw a future in politics," Jackie said. "I thought it was important to get more youth involved in civic education because there are so many adults in society who did not want to talk about difficult things and the fact that I was able to was really cool."
Photo by Easan Venkat

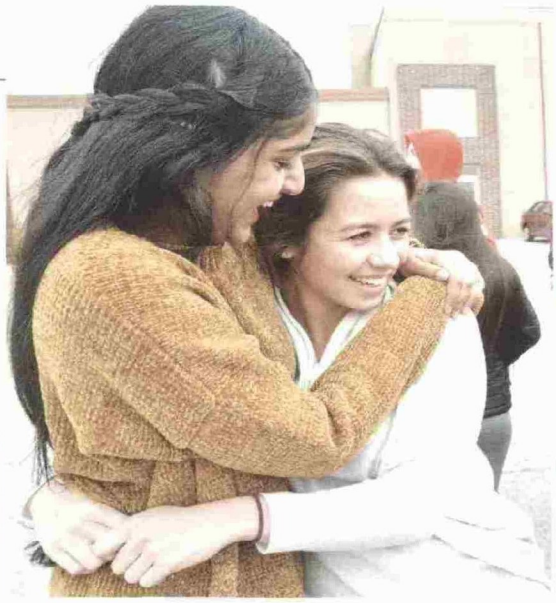
WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

If you could go anywhere on a field trip, where would you go?

- ☐ Paris, France — Caroline Chael, 10
- ☐ Phoenix — Henry Sklar, 10
- ☐ Wildlife Center — Carina Love, 11
- ☐ Planetarium — Mackenzie Stricklin, 9
- ☐ MOCA in L.A. — Antonia Linnane, 10
- ☐ 9-11 Memorial — Gianna Hough, 9
- ☐ Thailand — Maddison Butler, 10
- ☐ Disney World — Kwame Nnuro-Frimpong, 12

Hallway Travels

Students take "field trips" around the school for different activities during the day

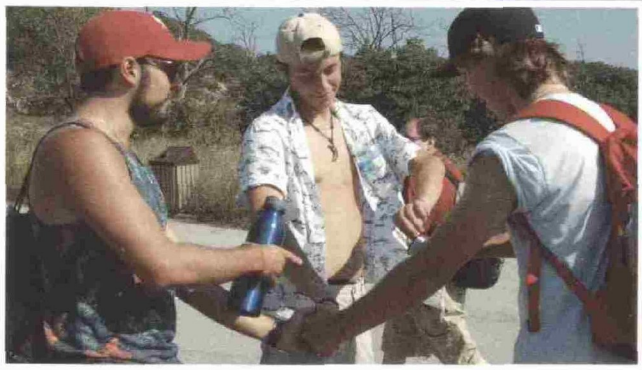


Calculus, Oh Calculus Ringing in the holiday season, Tara Layous and Emma Horvath, seniors, perform Calculus carols. Ms. Val Pflum's AP Calc students wrote carols with a Calculus twist and visited many classes around the school to sing them. "The writing was nerve-wracking," Tara said. "I wasn't very good at it."
Photo by Easan Venkat

Bitter Cold During a fire drill in December, seniors Hansa Vavilala and Abby Nita cling to each other for warmth. Students participated in monthly fire drills. "It was definitely one of the coldest fire drills we've had," Abby said.
Photo by Micala Boyd

Fun in the Sun

Project Bio took a trip to Indiana Dunes in September to learn about the environmental history of the Dunes and Lake Michigan



Suns Out Enjoying the heat, Noah Sohacki, Anthony Ruffalo and Josh Dragicevich, seniors, complete a handshake. They had just finished their hike in the Dunes. "My favorite part was running down a really steep dune and a couple people face planted, so it was really funny," Anthony said.
Photo submitted by Luke Banaszak

Testing Waters Wading into Lake Michigan, juniors Nicole Jen and Jenn Lockhart and senior Luke Banaszak enjoy the water while Mr. Larry Hautzinger's son, Daniel Hautzinger, junior at Crown Point, sits on the rocks. "We explored the flora and fauna of the beach," Jenn said.
Photo submitted by Erika Escutia

"For all of semester one we were focused on the environment up here [NWI], and then for semester two, we had been looking down at Florida and the history of it and the nature."
-Katie Bobb, 11

"We hiked a lot on the Dunes trip and learned about all the different types of trees and where everything came from and where they were located. We also learned about how far the water used to be and where it is now."
-Anthony Ruffalo, 12

GUIDANCE

from our counselors

Guidance counselors share advice on how to prepare for future careers and college while still in high school Story by Abbey Burris

With MHS being the first school in Indiana to become STEM certified, guidance counselors suggested that students take advantage of the many courses offered to test out potential careers in those fields of study.

"Being in high school, they (students) had the benefit of trying different STEM classes before they made a big investment in college," Mr. Peter Fatouros, guidance counselor, said. "I would see where their strengths were. Where their interests lie, I tried to match them up with an elective."

When a student knew what they were generally interested in, narrowing down their choices by discovering what they excelled at was the next step.

"If they were not quite sure what direction they wanted to go, but they knew they liked math, we were going to encourage them to take as much math as possible," Ms. Sharon Vail, guidance counselor, said.

When students decided, their guidance counselors helped advise them on potential careers that matched their interests but also on ways to get ahead.

"You were going to need to figure out how to make a living, not just how to express yourself through art," Mr. Peter Gregory, guidance counselor, said. "Take whatever classes you could in high school, get a portfolio together, and figure out what avenue you were most interested in."

The opportunities to explore careers at school grew each year new with internship opportunities and career center programs.

"It was important for students to be exploring different careers and having some knowledge of knowing what they need to do to get to where they wanted to be," Mr. Gregory said. "Having a goal as specific as possible was really helpful."

Focused Learning During Mr. Dusan Vidovic's Algebra I class, Gabriel Pedrick, freshman, takes notes to prepare for their next test. After, Mr. Vidovic assigned homework to help further their practice with the material. "I understood the material a lot of the time because Mr. Vidovic was good at teaching," Gabriel said. Photo by Emily Mudroncik

How to Graduate

There are three diplomas available to students. These are the differences:

Core 40 students need:

- ☐ eight English credits
- ☐ six Mathematics, science, elective and social studies credits
- ☐ five directed electives
- ☐ two physical education credits one health and wellness credit

Core 40 with Academic Honors students need:

- ☐ meet all requirements for Core 40
- ☐ two additional math and fine arts credits
- ☐ 6-8 world language credits
- ☐ earn a "C" or higher in courses have a grade point average of a "B"

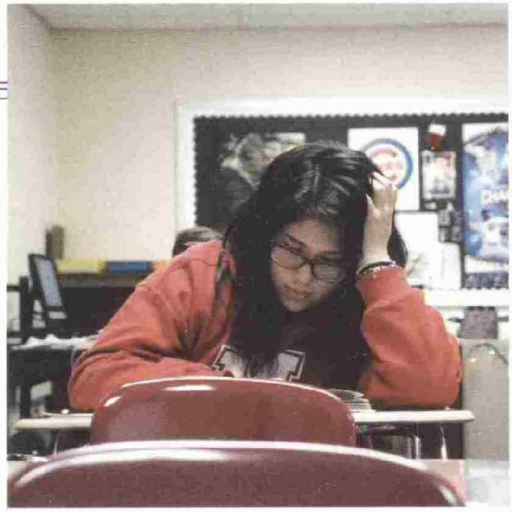
WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

What's your dream career?

- ☐ Archeologist — Keegan Gorang, 9
- ☐ Screen Writer — Silvia Martinez, 12
- ☐ Lawyer — Matt Nohnsen, 11
- ☐ Pharmacist — Adam Nawab, 12
- ☐ Psychiatrist — Katie Miles, 12
- ☐ Biomedical Engineer — Madison Meyer, 11

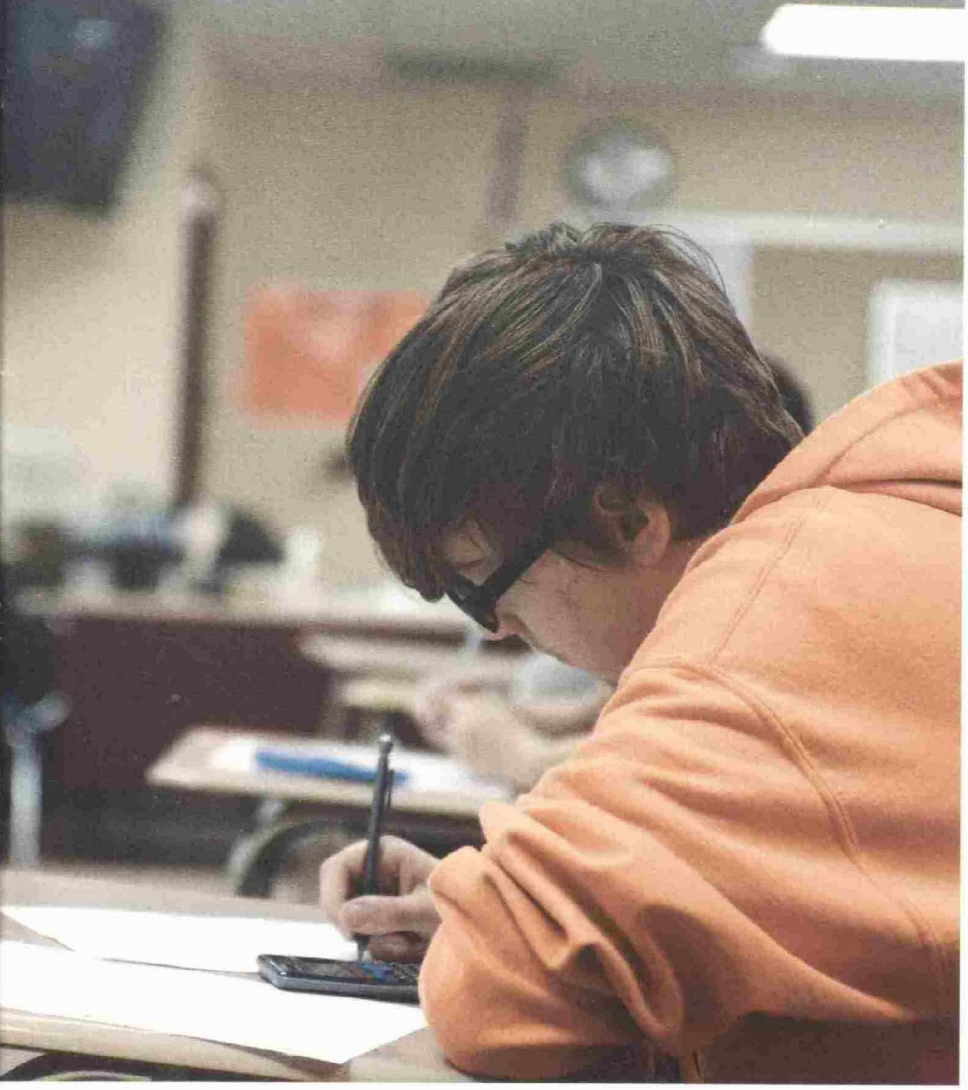
Year Round

Students participate in English and science classes every year



Bookworm After getting instructions from her teacher, Sabrina Andrade, sophomore, silently reads. She was assigned to read the book "The Lord of the Flies" in Mr. Tom Barnes' English class. "It (English) was a good class because you got to learn a lot," Sabrina said. Photo by Easan Venkat

Chemists in the Making Working on their chemistry lab for Mrs. Kelly Haussman, science teacher, sophomores Roman Garcia and Nick Eng, pencil in hand, follow close instructions during their lab procedure. Throughout the course of the class, students were required to do a certain amount of labs to pass the class. "I enjoyed chemistry," Nick said. "It was pretty fun to be with my lab partners." Photo by Elizabeth Fonseca



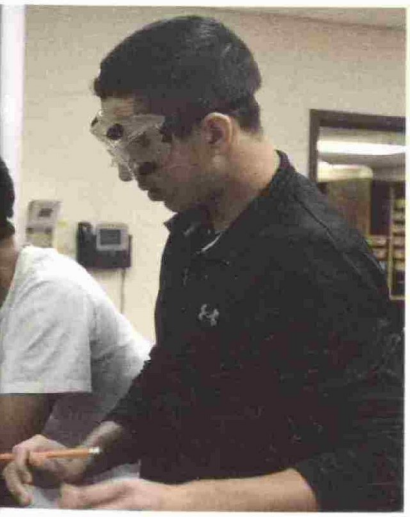
Making the Switch

Mrs. Jacqueline White, home school facilitator, explains the cause and benefits of receiving dual credit through Ivy Tech

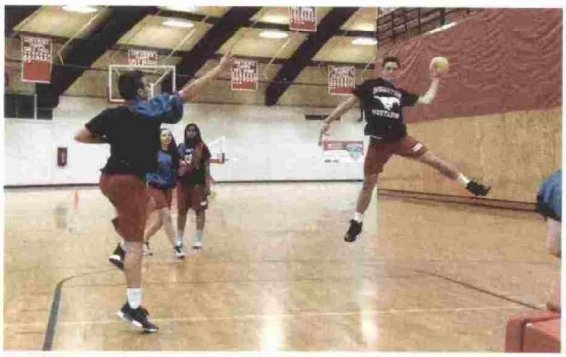
"The Higher Learning Commission, which ruled above all of dual credit, stated that in 2020 all teachers who taught dual credit had to have 18 hours of graduate teaching experience in their specific course that they are teaching. Unfortunately, in the state of Indiana, the state no longer paid for tuitions assistance for teachers to go back and get graduate credit nor did it bump up their salary at all. That law was supposed to go into effect in 2020, however, Purdue chose to implement it a lot earlier... With college becoming increasingly more expensive, Ivy Tech was all free. In the state of Indiana, most of these credits will transfer. And even out of state they transfer. Not only were you saving the money, but you could start off with some classes in your major." —Mrs. Jacqueline White

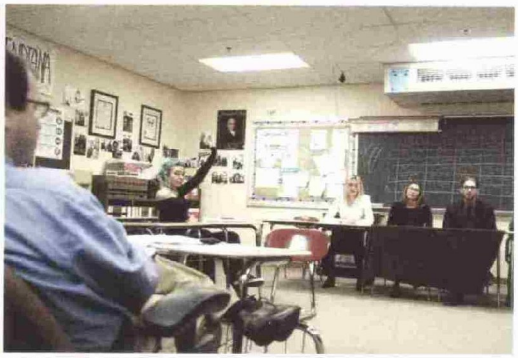
Core 40 with Technical Honors students need:

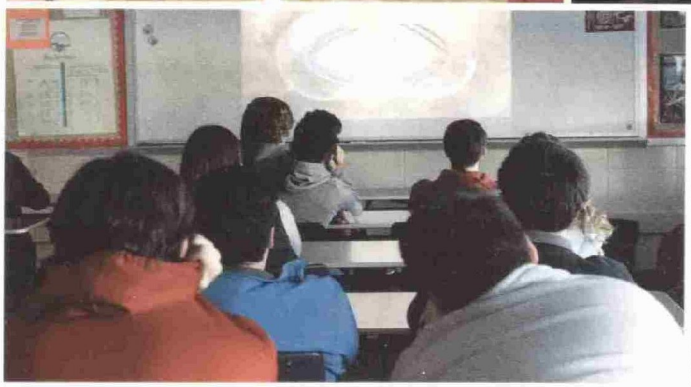
- ☐ meet all requirements for Core 40
- ☐ six credits in college and career preparation courses
- ☐ earn a "C" or higher in courses
- ☐ have a "B" grade point average



Grade Specific Students take required classes according to grade level







Jump Shot in Gym In the fieldhouse, Luka Balac, freshman, tries to score in handball. With help from his teammates, they dominated their opponents. "I liked gym because it was a good time competing with my friends," Luka said. **Under Pressure** As part of their project, seniors Jaycee Helmer, Alexis Pedraza and Riley McKeever answer questions from classmates like Olivia Truett, senior, and Mr. Michael Gordon, government teacher. "If I didn't get a good grade, I wouldn't get into college," Jaycee said. **Health-y Habits** During Mr. Leroy Marsh's health class, Andrew Manous, sophomore, sits in the back row and concentrates on the movie. Throughout the semester, he learned topics such as the reproductive system and how to have a healthy lifestyle. "It was a very helpful class, and you learned a lot of new things," Andrew said.

Photos by Kess Vaitkus, Easan Venkat and Lauren Kozy

Taking NOTE

Teachers share reasons why they prefer paper and pencil over laptops

Story by Abbey Burris

Teachers were conflicted by the pros and cons of the use of laptops for note taking over paper.

"Recent research had found that students learned more by writing notes by hand," Mrs. Tammy Daugherty, English teacher, said. "So that was the dilemma, wasn't it? What would teachers ask their students to do? On one hand, there was the convenience and the ease of the laptop. You didn't have to waste paper. You didn't have to get ink smudges all over your hands. It was all in one place."

Since a young age, students had been writing out their notes and homework on paper. Teachers referred to a Harvard study that suggested that students who hand wrote their notes better remembered the information later on.

"Students who wrote out notes got the information twice because they were writing about it and thinking about it," Mr. Joshua Herold, social studies teacher, said.

Teachers tried to prepare students for college by letting them discover what learning method best suited them.

"I wanted them to learn now if taking notes on the computer was good for them or not," Mrs. Samantha Ebert, science teacher, said. "I had very few people who insisted on taking notes with the computers. Most of them realized that the computer was a) too distracting or b) typing the notes wasn't really that helpful."

The concern shared among teachers with taking notes on a laptop was that students would become distracted.

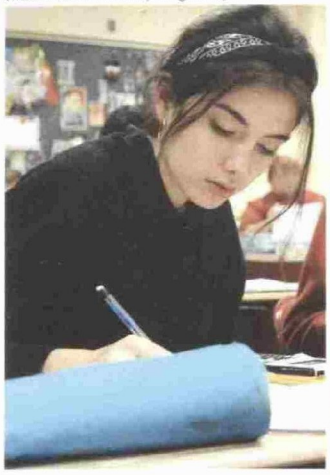
"I thought there were a lot of distractions with laptops when it came with note taking," Mrs. Daugherty said. "Students might have drifted off elsewhere."

Teachers continued to use paper and pen for sentimental reasons as well.

"In terms of our modern world," Mr. Herold said, "we were losing the art of writing, grammar, spelling and all these things that came with composition."

Signing Songs For ASL, Kyle Snyder, senior, signs the song "Happy" by Pharrell Williams. Students were assigned monologues or songs that they performed in front of the class. "I could see myself using ASL in the future if I ever came into a situation that I needed to use it with a deaf person," Kyle said. Photo by Lauren Kozy

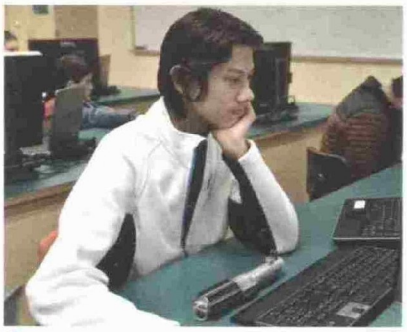
Study for the Future During trigonometry class, Maria Rucinski, senior, works hard to finish work assigned by Mrs. Valerie Pflum, math teacher. In class, students were assigned exercises and homework to practice. "Even though my intended career was in the arts, you still use math a lot," Maria said. Photo by Megan Szymanski



Hand Art When told to create an organic figure found in the ocean, Eveen Haddad, senior, makes her version of a coral reef. In ceramics, she made faces, tiles, bowls and trays out of clay. "I loved ceramics because Mr. Carl Fields was such an amazing teacher, and I felt like I could express myself," Eveen said. Photo by Elizabeth Fonseca

Technical Terms

Here is a glance at terms used in the new Intro to Engineering



State of the Art Proud of his 3D printed lightsaber, Francis Hovland, freshman, finishes up his project in engineering. He learned software from AutoDesk Company in the class. "(The class) was helping me learn some of the engineering lingo and especially how to use the modelling software," Francis said. Photo by Lilia Brunetti

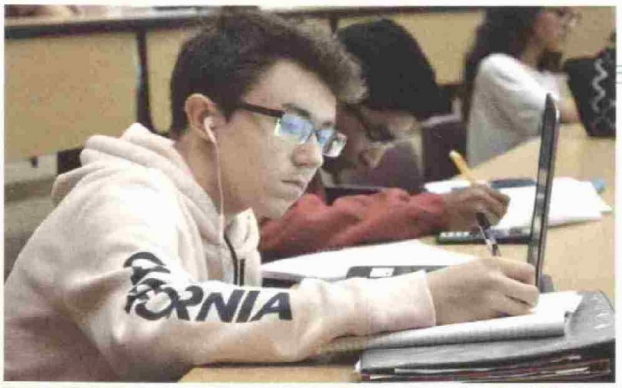
AutoDesk Company was the software company used in class and by some professional engineers
Orthographic Projection was a method of representing 3D objects on a 2D plane
Proportion was the relationship of one object to another in terms of size and amount
Design Brief was the written plan that identified a problem, its criteria, and constraints/rules to be followed
Prototype was a full-scale working model used to test and improve a design concept
Rotation was turning around an axis on a center point

Source: Francis Hovland

Hybrid Classes

Some classes required the use of a laptop and paper

Two Techniques During Mr. Matthew Kalwasinski's AP Psychology, Madison Steapleton, junior, Nathalie DeLa Torre, senior, Gabrielle Szumlas and Jessica Tucker, juniors, discuss the topic of the day. In AP Psychology, students used paper when taking notes but laptops for studying and some homework. "I preferred using in-class books rather than online books because it was easier to flip through pages with a hard copy," Madison said. Photo by Megan Szymanski



Required Tech

New classes focused on the use and study of technology

Hit the Books Preparing for his next exam, Michael Prendergast, junior, studies for English. During study hall, he studied and did homework or listened to music to pass the time. "I found study hall really useful," Michael said. Photo by Lauren Kozy

Stay in Tune Receiving help from Mrs. Kim Peirick, Zach Eng, senior, asks a question for his group project in AP Computer Science Principles class. This year was the first year that the school offered taught AP Computer Science. "I enjoyed it (the class) because everything is changing with technology," Zach said. Photo by Easan Venkat

WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

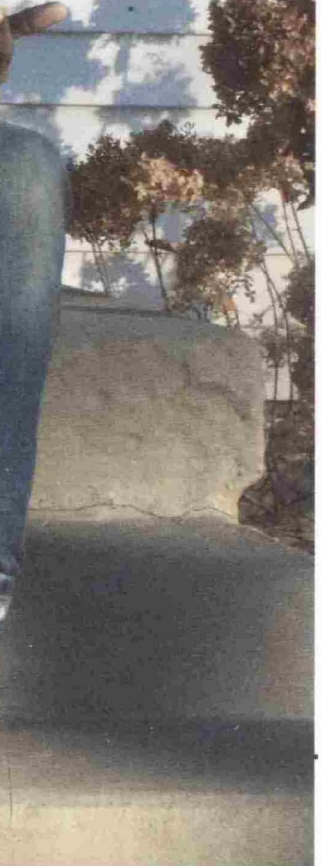
Do you prefer paper and pencil or laptops?

- ☐ Pencil and Paper — Linda Riley, 9
- ☐ Pencil and Paper — Mitchell Buffano, 11
- ☐ Laptops — Ben Favela, 12
- ☐ Laptops — Sarah Wanicki, 12
- ☐ Pencil and Paper — Chase Persic, 10
- ☐ Pencil and Paper — Christan Arellano, 10
- ☐ Laptops — Joshua Pagan, 9
- ☐ Laptops — Joe Rae, 12
- ☐ Pencil and Paper — Safoora Shad, 10
- ☐ Laptops — Madison Dinga, 12
- ☐ Pencil and Paper — Jack Murphy, 12
- ☐ Pencil and Paper — James Smith, 9
- ☐ Pencil and Paper — Bailey Broelmann, 11

Student Life

Dress up in costumes to play in the intramural volleyball tournament, go out to eat at Steak 'n Shake after the first Football game, have a photoshoot at Centennial Park, eat breakfast at Commander on a late start day, and cover your shift at Schoop's after school Copy and design by Catie Gilhooly

and Events to Attend:

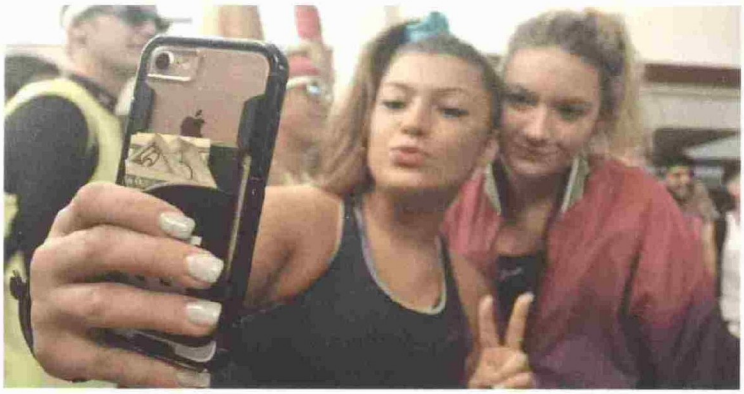


North Siders Sitting outside of their house, brothers Bryce Bullock, junior, and Dylan Bullock, senior, show off their North Side t-shirts. Bryce started creating the t-shirts to show his pride for living on the north side of town while making money. "Being a part of the north side means that everyone was united," Bryce said. "We didn't really judge people, we all got along together as one big family and we were able to coexist." **Namaste** Before their intermediate yoga class, seniors Madison Dinga and Sarah Wanicki get ready by laying out their mats. Madison had a membership to Yoga on 45th in Highland. "They had different levels of classes available," Madison said. "When I felt like I needed to work out, I went to a harder level class. They also had a meditation one which helped with stress." **Finally Free** After school, Faith Muczynski, freshman, unlocks her bike while her friend Anna Flynn, freshman, waits for her. Faith normally rode her bike home alone after school. "I normally would ride when it was warm out, when it wasn't snowing or there was any ice on the ground," Faith said. **In the Wings** After performing at a winter concert, Dori Clousing, freshman, and other members of the Beginning Women's choir stand backstage in the auditorium. They were watching the Chorale, the highest choir ensemble. "We were all in awe of how good they were," Dori said. "It was a lot of fun getting to sing with all of your friends and bonding through that." Photos by Victoria Reardon, Elizabeth Fonseca and Nicole Roberts

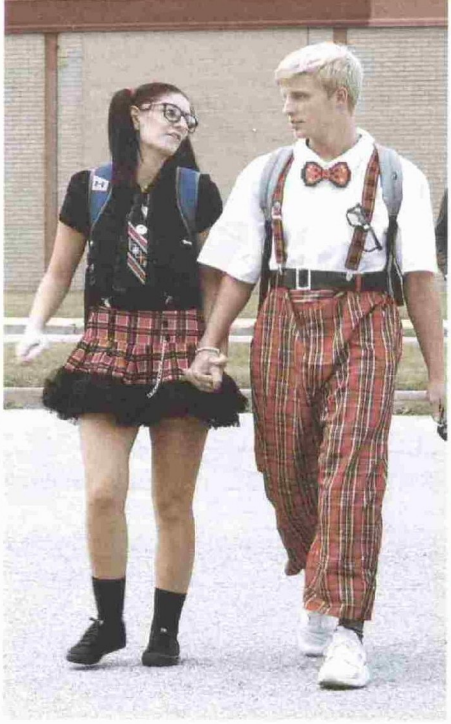
WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

If you could use one word to describe this year, what would it be?

- ☐ OOf — Alisha Evans, 10
- ☐ bye — Tylor Torres, 12
- ☐ radical — Naomi Edet, 11
- ☐ Senioritis — Mandy McCullough, 12
- ☐ Umm... — Maira Glowacki, 11
- ☐ Eye-opening — Haley Korraine Tate, 10
- ☐ New — Elliot Hudak, 9
- ☐ crazy — Josh Zatorski, 10
- ☐ Exhausting — Deborah Abioye, 9
- ☐ Unpredictable — Alexia Ceja, 11
- ☐ exciting — Jackie Bevil, 9
- ☐ Petty — Nathalie DeLaTorre, 12
- ☐ Decent — Luke Davidson, 11
- ☐ Memorable — Morgan Hanenburg, 12
- ☐ Difficult — Maddy Foreit, 11
- ☐ Weak — Kennedy Clayton, 11
- ☐ Messy — Lauren Morris, 10
- ☐ Depressing — Van Lambert, 9
- ☐ Slow — Joe Webster, 10
- ☐ Crusty — Nikolai Hoogewerf, 10
- ☐ infinite — Jaycee Helmer, 12
- ☐ interesting — Madiha Ali, 9
- ☐ Supercalifragilistic expialodocious — Kosta Fotopoulos, 11



Selfie Status Before classes began Thursday morning, Katie Dedelow and Bella Blackford, seniors, snap a selfie in the commons. The seniors took part in a before-school workout on Decades Day. Photo by Elizabeth Fonseca



Nerd Out Hand in hand, seniors Anna Marcucilli and Matthew Bensema walk through the South parking lot after school. They, along with the senior class, dressed up for Nerd Day on Wednesday. "We both decided to dress up because it was senior year," Matthew said. "We wouldn't have spirit week the next year so we just thought we would go all out all week." Photo by Sydney Pastor

Senior SPIRIT

The senior class celebrates their final high school spirit week

Story By Kammy Moore

A mob of neon assembles in the commons, which could only mean one thing: it was Decades Day.

Decades Day was when students from each grade would dress up according to their assigned decade. However, in contrast to the 70s and 90s trends that were currently in style, the Seniors' 80s workout gear stood out from the rest.

"I wore a pink tank-top with pink girls' running shorts, and I went to Goodwill and bought some purple tights," Aaron Richards, senior, said.

Students went shopping at places such as Goodwill, Target, Dick's Sporting Goods, and TJ Maxx in order to find pieces of their outfits.

"I was looking for girls clothes so I was like, 'What is this?'" Aaron said. "I was so confused. What are tights, what are crop tops, what is this, what's going on?"

"I just went to my girlfriend and took all her clothes," Cody Kranc, senior, said. "It wasn't very comfortable. It was very tight and it felt awkward."

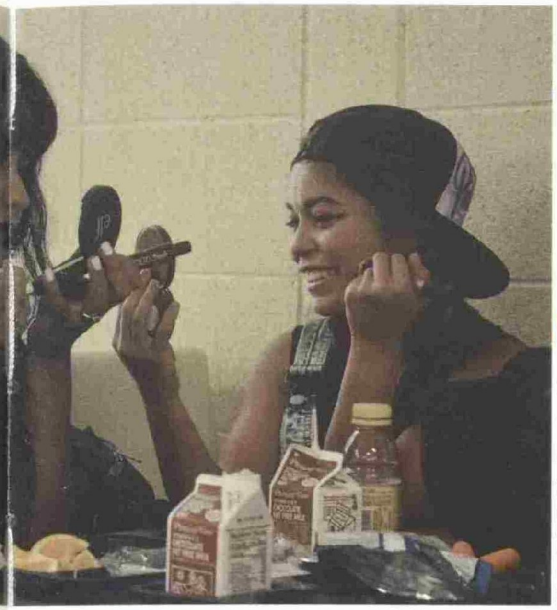
Their decade wasn't the only thing specific to seniors. They had their own special spirit days throughout the rest of the week.

"The senior days were always more fun," Jacqueleen Gonzalez, senior, said. "All the seniors did more or less the same thing every year, so it was just trying to live up to the expectation from last year."

Though students from all grades dress up and enjoy the week, it was obvious that seniors dominated the week.

"There were a lot of students who didn't dress up," Cody said. "Since a lot of underclassmen didn't, I felt like we had to make up for that."

Horsin' Around Laughing, Taylor Dvorscak, senior, sits in MRT in a unicorn onesie with Jonathan Harris, senior, sporting a horse mask for Random Costume Day. She felt required to dress up for her senior year. "Seeing all the weird costumes that people picked was my favorite part," Taylor said. Photo by Sydney Pastor



Fresh Face During lunch, Anna Carrillo-Luna and Arianna Pina, sophomores, touch up their make-up. The girls wore 90's fashion for Decades Day. "Anna thought of Selena for inspiration," Arianna said. "For me, I talked to my dad because he enjoyed that time period so much, and he said put on overalls and a cap and really big wings, just go all out." Photo by Elizabeth Fonseca

Throwback Thursday

Student Government member Kalie Miles, senior, discusses the change of decades for Spirit Week

Q Why did you change from 50s and 60s to 90s and 2000s?

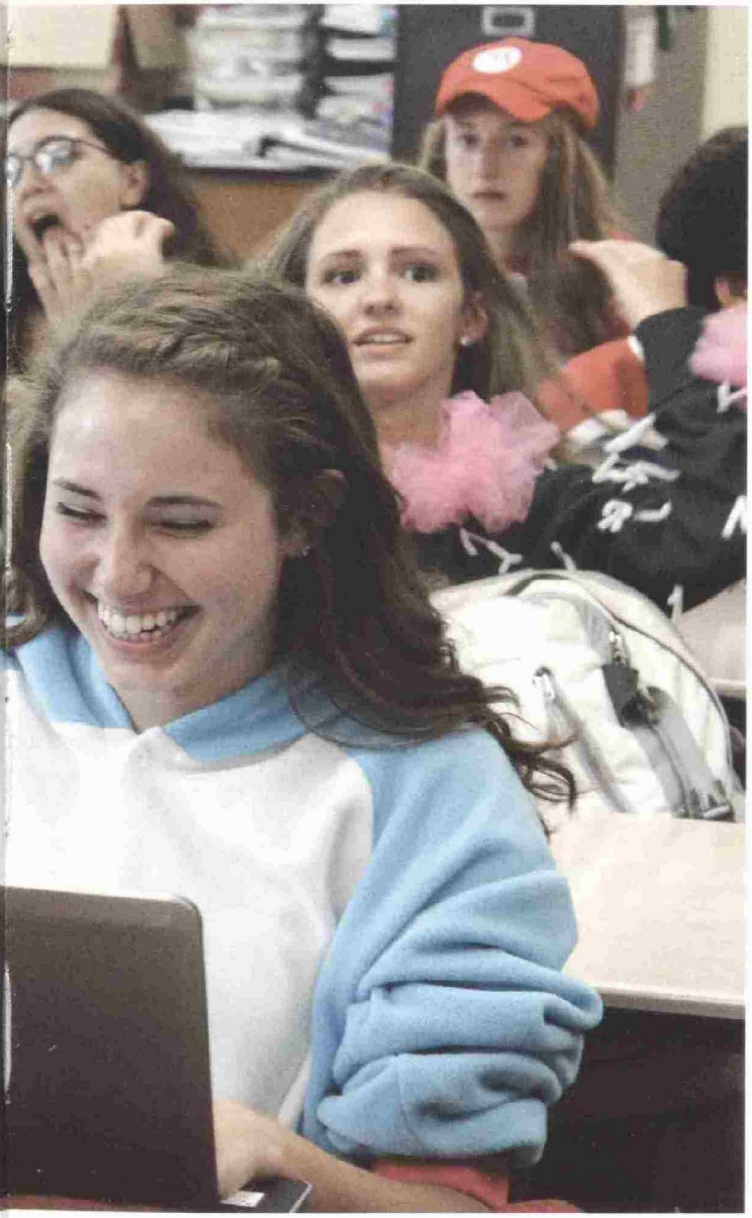
A "We thought that times were changing. It was almost 2020, and we wanted to keep things hip and up to date."

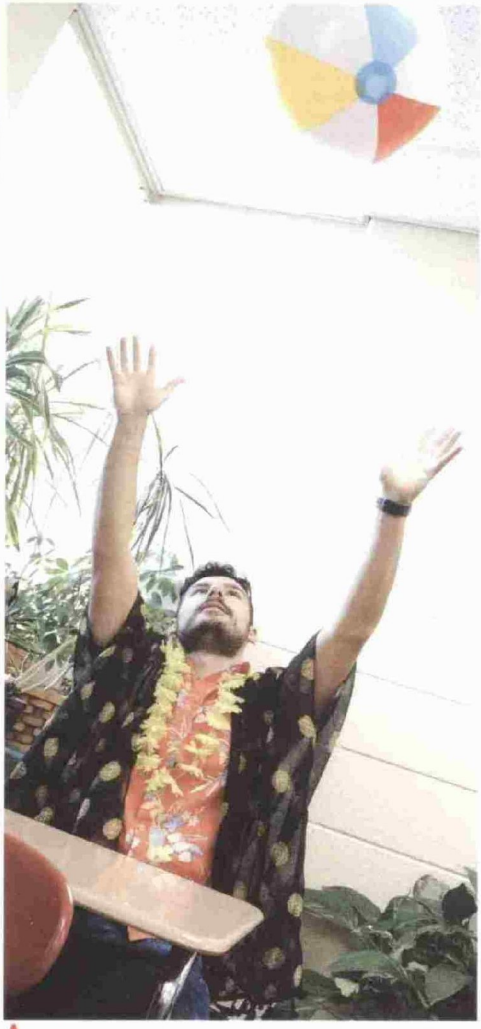
Q Would you rather dress up for the 90s or 2000s?

A "(I would rather) dress up for the 2000s because that was my childhood."

Q What class do you think dressed up the most during Spirit Week?

A "I definitely thought that upperclassmen participated more, but the freshmen this year were pretty active."





Air Ball Beach ball in the air, Noah Sohacki, senior, sits in the back of Mr. Kalwasinski's class. He celebrated Hawaiian Day on Friday along with the rest of the seniors. "I was pretty pumped because that was half my wardrobe, everyday is Hawaiian Day for me." Photo by Kess Vaitkus

WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

Describe Homecoming in one word.

- ☐ eh — Ben Ondo, 9
- ☐ awkward — Catherine Ornelas, 9
- ☐ noice — Mihir Kansara, 12
- ☐ vibrant — Andrew Zajakowski, 12
- ☐ stress — Demetrios Fotopoulos, 9
- ☐ lit — Camille Gallicho, 12
- ☐ wild — Karina Monjaras, 12
- ☐ super fun — George Babus, 12
- ☐ chaotic — Alexis Berumen, 9
- ☐ memorable — Nathalie De La Torre, 12
- ☐ overhyped — Jack Starck, 10
- ☐ enjoyable — Alejandro Flores, 12
- ☐ exclusive — Ubaid Mohammed, 12
- ☐ lame — Mara DiCarlo, 12
- ☐ basic — Tiara Sparks, 9

Homecoming GAIN

Players and attendees share thoughts on the Homecoming game loss

Story by Abbey Burris

On Homecoming night, tensions were high as the football team prepared to play against Hammond's Morton High School on Sept. 15.

"It was not a conference game, but we still wanted to show off for the Homecoming crowd," Captain Jacob Fitch, senior, said.

The Homecoming student section dressed up in Hawaiian clothing.

The presence of the Homecoming crowd did not cause nerves amongst the players.

"We felt very confident knowing that we beat them (Morton) the past few years," Captain Zach Eng, senior, said.

To prepare for the game, the team continued with their regular practice schedule but added in more scrimmages.

"We had four really good practices before the game, and we watched a lot of film as a team," Eng said.

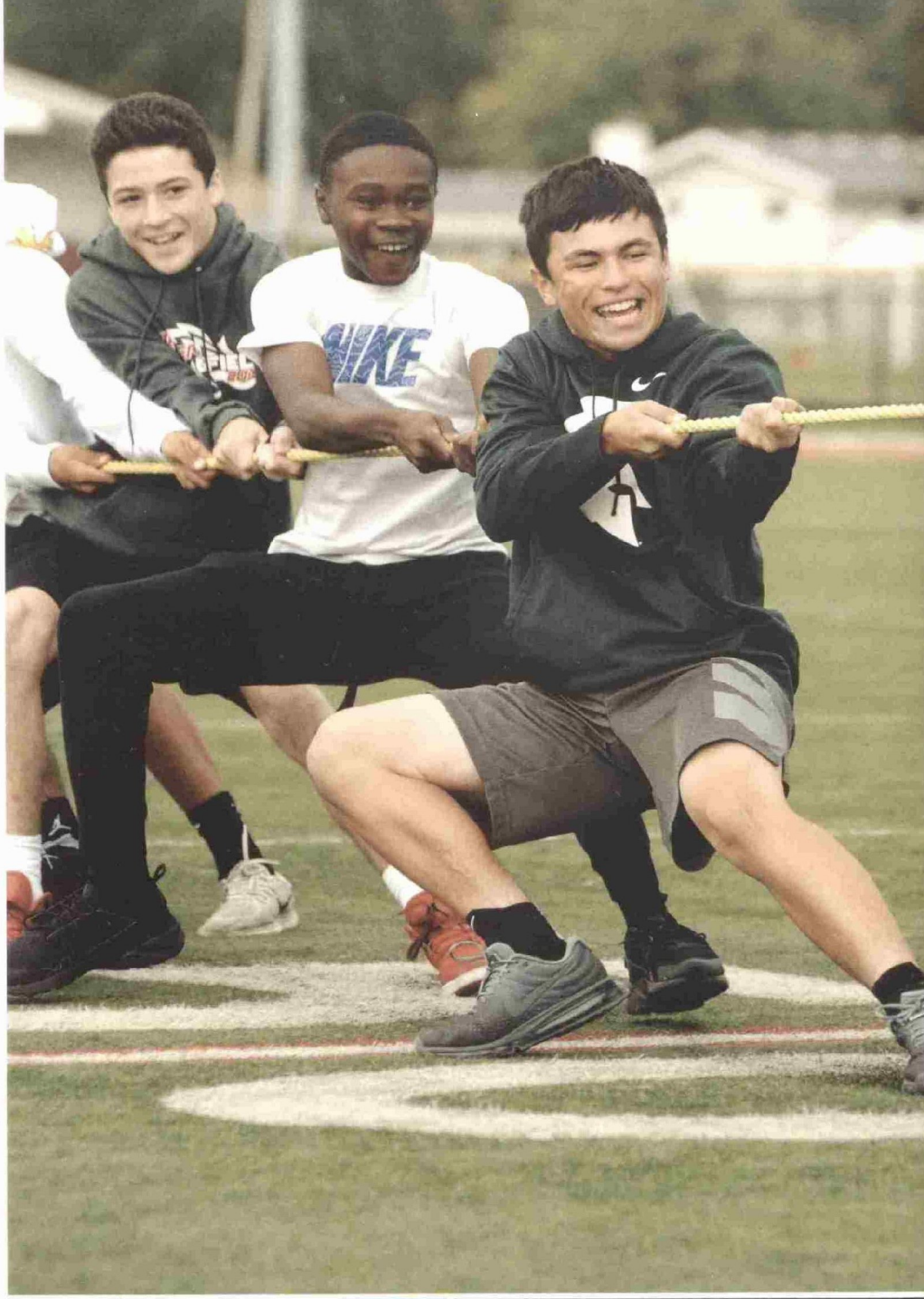
The final score of the game was 16-24.

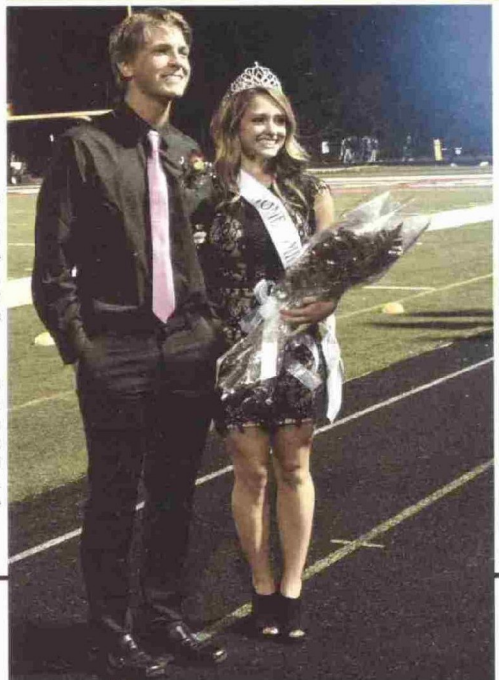
"(The loss) didn't affect us too negatively because we were able to come back and win a few more," Fitch said.

Even though the team didn't win, students were still proud of their team.

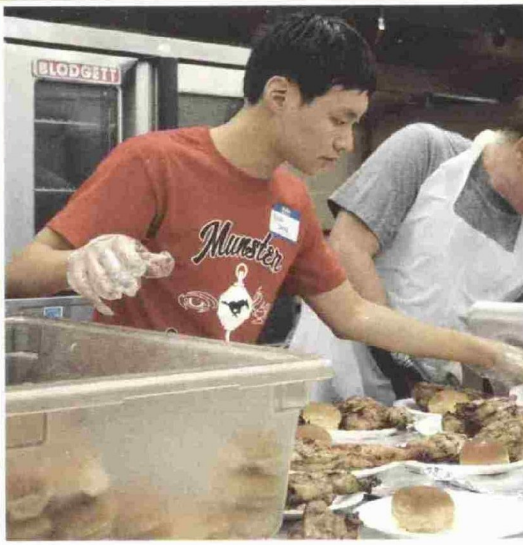
The loss encouraged the team to work harder the rest of the season.

"I think it put a big perspective that the game isn't just given, and I feel it pushes us to perform in practice like it was Friday night which causes us to win future games," Creighton Kooy, sophomore said.

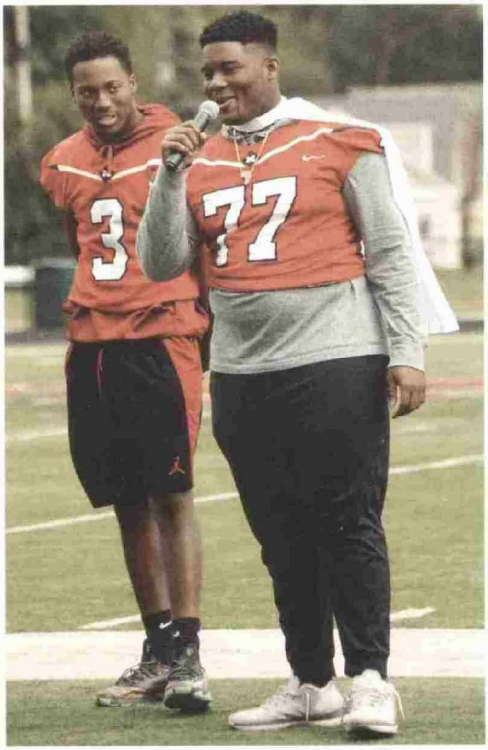




Crowned Queen Flowers in hand, Emma Harvath, senior, smiles with Dylan Brann, junior, for a picture. Emma had just been crowned Homecoming Queen. "Honestly, it didn't feel like it was real," Emma said. "It was really exciting, they were taking a lot of pictures of me and a lot of people were telling me congratulations, it was really fun." Photo by Elizabeth Fonseca



Helping Hand As part of the Speech and Debate team, Evan Dong, senior, plates chicken and rolls. The team held the Annual Chicken Barbecue Dinner every year in the cafeteria. "It was interesting to see the cooking process and how much work all the parents put in," Evan said. "Being able to put a meal together for someone felt like I was doing something worthwhile." Photo by Nicole Roberts



Sweet Smiles Posing for a camera, seniors Allison Demeter and Francisco Sanchez, a student from TF South, smile. He made up the poster around her love of Sour Patch kids. The poster said, "Allison, don't make HOCO sour. Make it sweet and go with me". "Being with my friends was my favorite part [of Homecoming] because it was my senior year," Allison said. **Pep Talk** Captain of the football team, Carl Adindu, senior, makes a mini speech during the pep rally. All sports captains were called down to represent their team and talk about the season. "Getting ready for game day was my main focus (during Homecoming week)," Carl said. "We practiced hard all week to prepare for Morton, knowing they were a good team and they played really hard." **Rope Wars** Grasping the rope with all their strength, freshman Noah Hensley, Ameer Igue and Derrick Wiening compete against the sophomores in the game of tug-of-war. The sophomores ended up with the victory, but all teams eventually lost to faculty. "I thought we had a chance, then a couple seconds in I knew we weren't going to win," Derrick said.
Photos by Kess Vaitkus and Melanie Powers

The Itinerary

Schedule of busy homecoming weekend

We ate chicken at the barbecue then watched and ed our queen. We danced all at HC under the

WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

Describe Homecoming in one word.

- ☐ Hype — Colin O'Brien, 12
- ☐ Exciting — John Foster, 12
- ☐ Boring — Michael Biel, 12
- ☐ Rambunctious — Alexandra Vjestica, 11
- ☐ Lively — Jill Cuvala, 11
- ☐ Sweaty — Taryn German, 11
- ☐ Divertido — Stephany Camacho, 10
- ☐ Fairytale — Diana Ayala, 10
- ☐ Sore feet — Rebecca Jones, 9
- ☐ Eventful — Skylar Van Ermen, 10
- ☐ Interesting — Nicole Choros, 11
- ☐ Enjoyable — Alejandro Flores, 12

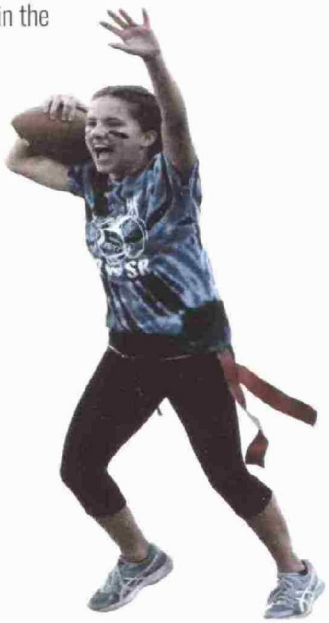
Poms Ready Playing with pom-poms, Sara Mavity and Alainna Carey, seniors, sit on the Spanish Club float for the parade. This was the first parade and outdoor pep rally since 2014. "I enjoyed being able to gather together and show school pride," Sara said. Photo by Elizabeth Fonseca

Touchdown Dance

Juniors take the W over the seniors in the annual Powderpuff game

"It was really funny because a lot of people, including myself, didn't really know what we were doing, but we just went out there and had fun, so beating the seniors was fun."
—Ceci Lipschultz, junior

"It didn't matter that we lost to the juniors because we had a lot of team spirit and it was fun regardless."
—Jasmine Toor, senior



Making Plays With Juniors now in the lead, Madison Lakomek, junior, celebrates after making a touchdown during the Powderpuff game. Playing on the Powderpuff team was a high school experience Madison always dreamed of. "The touchdown showed my whole team that we had a chance at winning," Madison said. Photo by Sydney Pastor

A story for every style

Students think about brands:

What does it mean to you to have a personal brand?

"(Your personal brand) was anything you made it out to be."
— Petra Sweis, 11

"What made you, you. What was your staple thing that either what you wore or the way you acted or what you were involved in. It was the first thing people thought of when they heard your name. I either thought of makeup or Speech when I heard my name."
— Maya Radjenovich, 11

"A (personally brand) belonged to them and other people couldn't take that idea. (Mine) would be my personality. A lot of my friends said my personality stood out."
— Isabel Alvarez, 10

"Something personal that you made. Like if you made your own style. Normally, I just wear leggings and a T-shirt. It could be someone else's, but if you made it your own, it was your own."
—Marisa Chavez, 9

"I felt like I wasn't like anyone else. Your personal brand was how you described yourself and how you were unique in your own way. I was just goofy and liked to have fun."
— Ethan Boudreau, 12

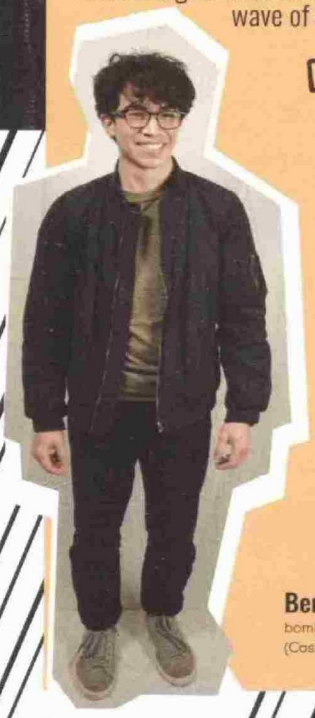
"It was how someone expressed themselves and they showed themselves to other people. People thought I was pretty funny, and I joked around a lot."
—Carlos Fabian, 10

"It would be your own style. If you didn't follow other people, if you made up your own ways to live and dress and be yourself. I was really sassy and took after my mom a lot."
—Jaida Beasley, 9

"It was your own unique sense of style and tastes in life and whatever came to you. (My own personal brand) was anything flamboyant or anything warm colored."
—Mohammad Alam, 9

Practical and Polished on Ben

"Glasses were typically an icon of being studious and trying to achieve higher in school but these frames specifically give a wave of a little bit of creativity."



Be Comfortable

"Wear things that you felt comfortable in because you were never going to be able to walk around with confidence if you were constantly uncomfortable."

Avoid Fast Fashion

"Look to celebrities that didn't constantly push quick trends or quick fads. Looking at celebrities with their own character and own personal brands could inspire (you) to make your own."

Be Realistic

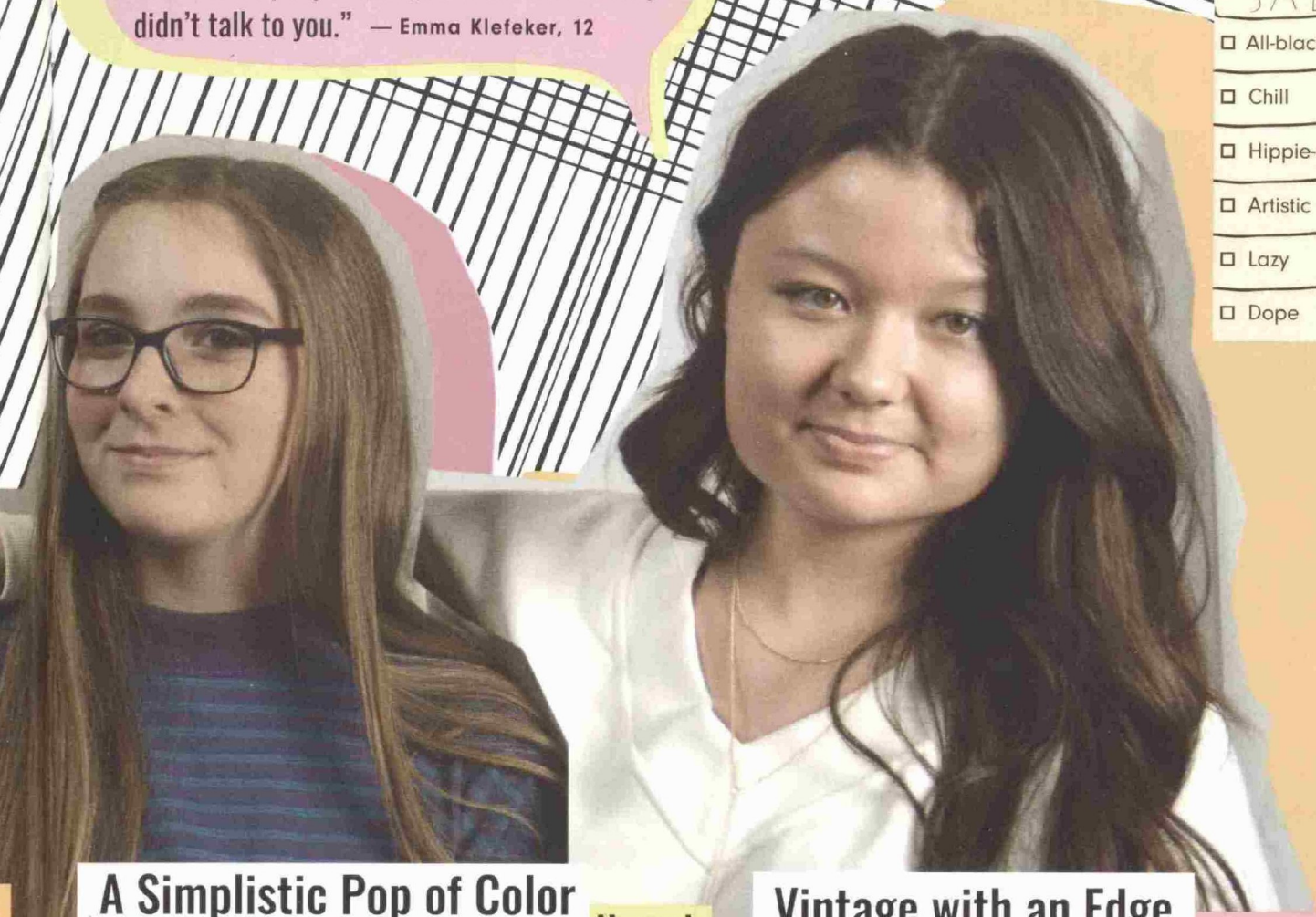
"I didn't wear designer and a lot of the times I wore old clothes or hand-me-downs. I would still try to look well put together. This came out in my personality. I tried to be realistic and resourceful and also a little bit creative."

Ben is Wearing: Brown square glasses (Masunaga), black bomber jacket (Gap), thermal sweater (Patagonia), black watch (Casio) wool pants (hand-me-down), gray sneakers (Puma).

Each student had their own personal brand

This was how Ben Foreit, junior, Hannah Bard, freshman, and Emma Klefeker, senior, created their individual look:

"Personal brands were like book covers. You could show people who you were even if they didn't talk to you." — Emma Klefeker, 12



WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

Describe your style in one word.

- ☐ SAD — Kemper Fane, 10
- ☐ All-black — Bruce Jones, 12
- ☐ Chill — Rylee O'Mara, 9
- ☐ Hippie-alternative — Isabella Blackford, 12
- ☐ Artistic — Zeke Rand, 9
- ☐ Lazy — David Dafloghor, 11
- ☐ Dope — Ari Arzumanian, 9

A Simplistic Pop of Color on Hannah

"I picked something up and my mom or my dad were like 'Oh, I don't really know about that,' but I liked it, so I bought it anyway."

Get Inspired

"I liked to wear clothes from things that I enjoyed like movies or TV shows. If a musician that I liked wore something that I liked I would wear it. Stranger Things and Baby Driver and La La Land (inspired me) because they had lot of colors in it."

Use Social Media To Your Advantage

"I was able to see a lot of different types of clothes rather than ones I just saw at school. A lot of what I wore I saw online first."

Have a Go-To Outfit

"(My go-to outfit was) jeans, Converse, an oversized T-shirt and a jacket. I liked Urban Outfitters and Pacsun."

Hannah is Wearing: Black square glasses (Oliver Peoples), silver hoop earrings (Brandy Melville), "Baby Driver" shirt (Urban Outfitters), long sleeve mesh top (Forever 21), black jeans (Pacsun), blue suede sneakers (Converse One Star)

Vintage with an Edge on Emma

"Sometimes I dressed edgy, but I didn't listen to hard core metal."

Design Your Own Look

"Don't be afraid to mix different brands and different styles together. I didn't like matching. I was one of those people who would put two different patterns together and not be ashamed about it."

Find a Style Icon

"I really liked Stevie Nicks from Fleetwood Mac. She was my style icon. I basically put my brand together based off of her."

Take Risks

"You couldn't be afraid to wear something that you liked but others might not like. You have to be risky. You couldn't be insecure about what you were wearing because people were always going to make comments."

Emma is Wearing: Gold accent rings and necklace (Target and Forever 21), oversized off the shoulder sweater (Forever 21), black and white plaid pants (Forever 21), silver plated pointed black boots (Target)

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'I'm from MUNSTER, Indiana.' — said no one ever

Story by Micala Boyd

Munster is located closer to the third largest city in the United States than its own state capital, Indianapolis.

"Everything we did was Chicago because we were so close together," Anna Flynn, freshman said. "A lot of places didn't have that. We were really tied to them."

The Region listened to Chicago's radio stations and followed their sports teams.

"I rooted for all the Chicago teams," Nadia Torres, freshman, said. "I rooted for The Bulls (and) The Bears. I didn't even know the Indiana teams."

"My favorite stations were 96.3 and 107.5," Leah Patterson, sophomore, said.

Also, fashion and trends were influenced.

"I went (to Chicago) to shop a lot," Katarina Petrovic, sophomore, said. "I liked it a lot. There was so many stores."

Students were given a new mindset.

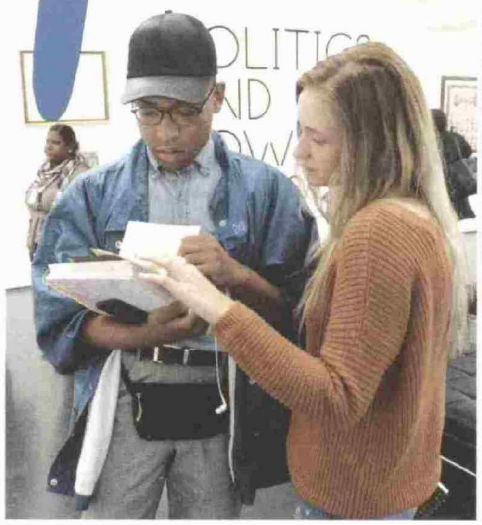
"Chicago gave Munster and all of Northwest Indiana more global perspective," Tara Layous, senior, said. "It made us more open to new experiences."

Chicago gave students things to do.

"It had a big impact because it was the closest major city to us," Rashaun Flanagan -Seels, senior, said. "Munster was a boring place so everyone went to Chicago to have a good time."

These were the top five place we went in Chicago:

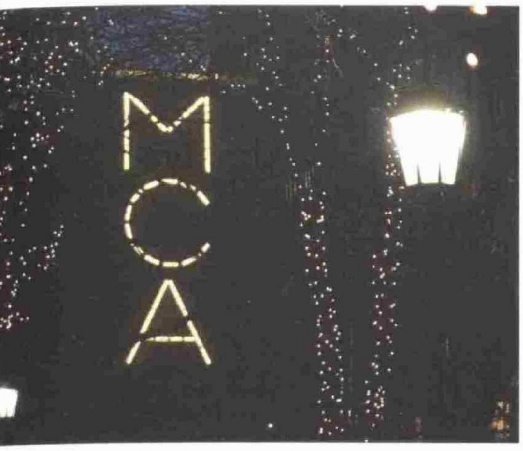
1 Museums



2 Navy Pier

Party Wheel In celebration of junior Eviana Rubio's seventeenth birthday, juniors Yalissa Rubio, Miah Albritton, Leah Alicea, Yasmeen Sabbah, Viviana Gonzales, Dimitri Chioros and sophomore Iris Peck took a party bus to Navy Pier. Navy Pier was home of the Centennial Wheel (pictured left). They ate burgers at a restaurant on Navy Pier and then took the bus to The Bean in Millennium Park. "I liked everything about (Navy Pier), all the rides, the foods, the whole atmosphere," Miah said. "(I liked) seeing all the different generations that were there. (There was) old people and young people. All the ethnicities and races really just showed that Chicago was a well-rounded city. It was very beautiful. I always had fun when I went.

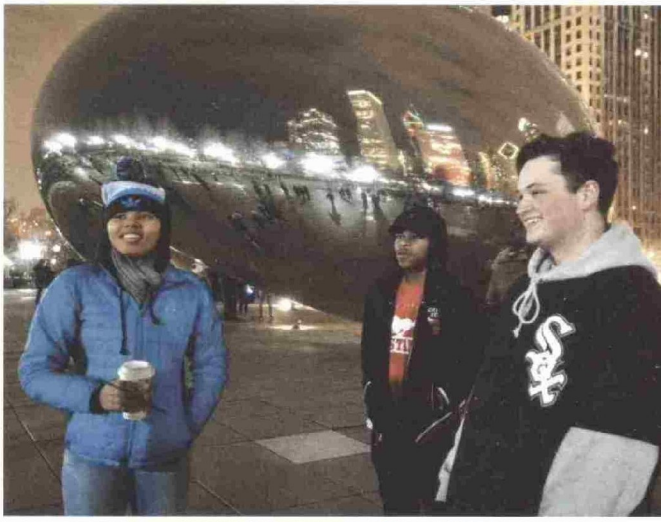
Photo by Micala Boyd



State Of The Art Looking at a list of exhibits at the Museum of Contemporary Art, seniors Ian Brundige and Molly Dolan work on completing an assignment for Mrs. Elena Lopez, art teacher. They were required to take notes of each exhibit and sketch something from the field trip that inspired them. "Every time I went, I really liked it," Ian Brundige, senior, said. "It was different from other museums like the Art Institute of Chicago. All the art was completely focused on being contemporary and modern. It was interesting to see what artists were doing and how my art could be in a museum. It wasn't like art from people who died like 50,000 years ago. It was happening now, which was really inspiring to see." Photo by Melana Djuraskovic

Down to A Fine Art Students enrolled in AP studio art, painting II, and drawing taught by Ms. Elena Lopez participate in a field trip Sept. 28 to the Museum of Contemporary Art in Chicago. Photo by Victoria Reardon

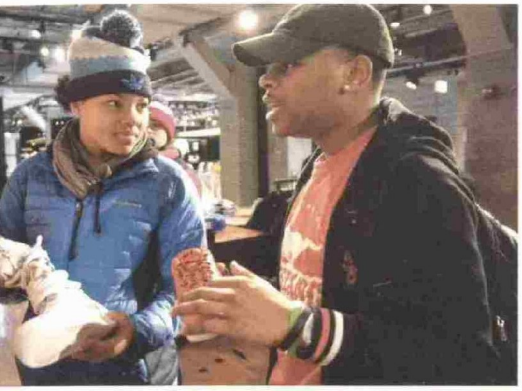
3 Millennium Park



Full of Beans After catching a train to Chicago, seniors Taneigh Boyd, Gregory Hester, Jeremiah Yuhas and Steven Black hang out near The Bean in Millennium Park. They went to see the seasonal Christmas tree standing in the park and to ice skate; however, because the line was too long they decided just to sightsee. Photo by Micala Boyd

On The Way Riding on a South Shore train, Christian Portone, sophomore, and Kaylie Vickers, senior, are on their way to the Chicago. Laughing and having fun, Kaylie usually went to the city once or twice a month. "I was very excited and happy to be going to the city and hanging out with my friends," Kaylie said. Photo by Victoria Reardon

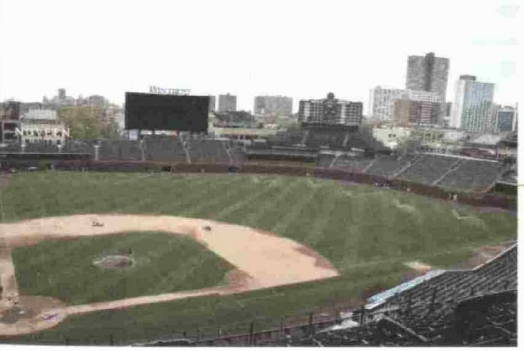
Rankings based on survey on Google forms of 488 responses from Dec. 14-20



4 Shopping on Michigan Avenue

Shoe Crazy Chatting about shoes, seniors Taneigh Boyd and Greg Hester were in Chicago. Greg was looked for shoes in the four-story Nike store on Michigan Avenue. "I don't go to Chicago a lot but I wish we went more often, " Greg said "I do plan on going back to the Nike store to buy clothes and shoes." Photo by Micala Boyd

Shopping Fun Hanging out in Chicago, sophomores, Connor King, and Christian Portone, were looking around for clothes in Nordstrom. Always looking for great deals, Christian loves going shopping. "Shopping in Chicago is the best because they always have good deals" Christian said "I love going downtown to shop and spend time with my friends." Photo by Victoria Reardon



5 Sporting Events

Wrigley Field

Go Cubs Go Wrigley Field baseball park is located on the North side of Chicago. Many students attended more games here after the Cubs won the World Series in 2017. "It was really fun and I could just tell everyone was having a good time," Gabie Ingoglia, senior, said. Photo by Lauren Kozy

Guaranteed Rate Field

Name Change Guaranteed Rate Field is home of the White Sox and it recently changed names. It was formally known as U.S. Cellular Field, and it was Comiskey Park before that. "It was a bunch of Sox fans, so I always felt like I was in good company," Alex Weakland, senior, said. "I wasn't a big fan of name change because it sounded stupid." Photo by Micala Boyd

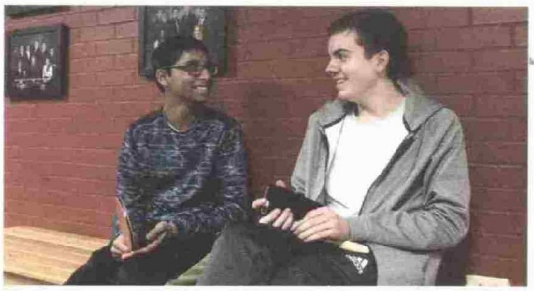
WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

What's your favorite thing about Chicago?

- ☐ The bean — Nana Nnuro Frimprong, 9
- ☐ The architecture — Tim Muto, 11
- ☐ The vibe — Adam Klaich,10
- ☐ Photo opportunities — Anabelle Hauter, 9
- ☐ Shopping — Stephany Camacho, 10
- ☐ The night life — Cody Reinsma, 12

Friend Like Me

Best friends bond over extra-curricular activities



Sitting One Out In between matches at Ping Pong Club, freshmen Rayhan Zaman and Zach Bess talk about who they think is going to win the next game. The boys decided to join Ping Pong Club to set time aside from their busy schedules to hang out. "We met back at the elementary school and just became close since that," Rayhan said. Photo by Sydney Pastor

Lighting the Way In the band room after school, Chynna Vaughn, junior, and Isabel Rodriguez, freshman, hold phone flashlights for each other to do makeup. They would wait for Winter Guard practice to start in the pitch black band room because the school shuts off the lights after school to save power. "We had been friends since about two years ago because of band," Chynna said. "We spent so much time together that we grew a friendship." Photo by Sydney Pastor

WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

Who's your best friend?

- ☐ Leslie — Lysabelle Martinez, 11
- ☐ Samantha Buffano — Melinda Michalski, 10
- ☐ Sofia Pavlic — Savannah Frazier, 9
- ☐ Ben Peters — James Sroge, 11
- ☐ Matthew Tabyzynski — AJ Zachary, 12
- ☐ James Sroge — Ben Peters, 11
- ☐ Kelli Little — Alaina Lany, 11
- ☐ Andrew Rapata — Jacob Fitch, 12
- ☐ my dog Scooby — Abi Steffen, 9
- ☐ Erin Bryce — Ashley Wills, 10
- ☐ Rachel Lyons — James Ashcraft, 11
- ☐ Nick Martinez — Mason Clark, 10
- ☐ Sam Kall — Isabelle Landeck, 11
- ☐ Chloe Jancosek — Ally Shinkan, 12
- ☐ Katie Bobb — Kelly Collins, 11
- ☐ Izzy Landeck — Samantha Kall, 11
- ☐ Erika Escutia — Jacqueleen Gonzalez, 12

Social Corner

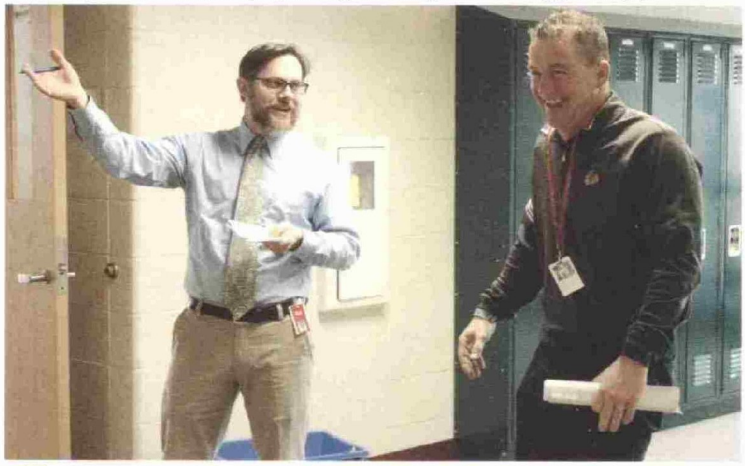
The Social Studies department lives up to their name by spending time together during passing periods

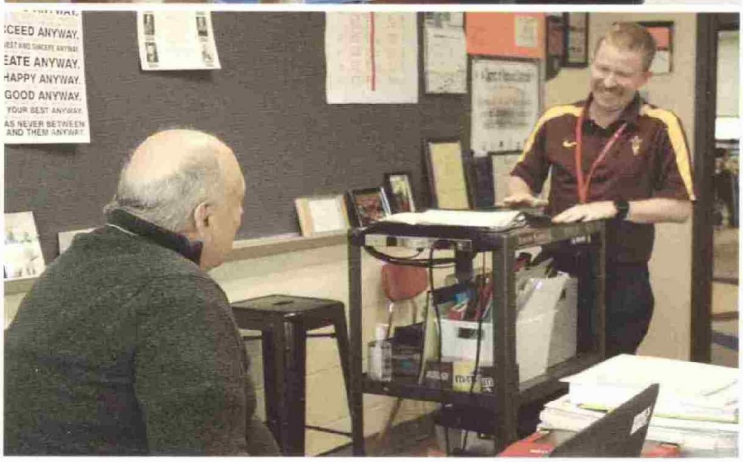
"Usually if Fortner was going to pop in with Sluder, it was going to be something interesting. Ironically enough, I never popped into their room. You never knew what to expect with the three of them."
—Mr. Matthew Kalwasinski, social studies teacher

"It was nice to know you had a support network where if you came up with a lesson you could share it with your colleges and they were willing to give professional advice when needed."
—Mr. Bill Smitka, social studies teacher

"Probably giving Mr. Fortner a hard time (was my favorite part). All three of us respect him a ton so giving him a little bit of grief here and there and teasing him about his students is probably something that sticks with me."
—Mr. Richard Sluder, social studies teacher

"Several of us do hang out outside of school, to be honest with you."
—Mr. Don Fortner, social studies teacher





Psych Out During passing period, Mr. Matthew Kalwasinski, psychology teacher, and Mr. Bill Smitka, social studies teacher, joke around while waiting for class to start. They often talked between classes while watching students in the hallway. Photo by Sydney Pastor

Teacher Talks Chatting between classes, Mr. Richard Sluder, social studies teacher, talks to Mr. Don Fortner, economics teacher. The two frequently talked between classes because their classrooms were next door. Photo by Sydney Pastor

Long Distance Love

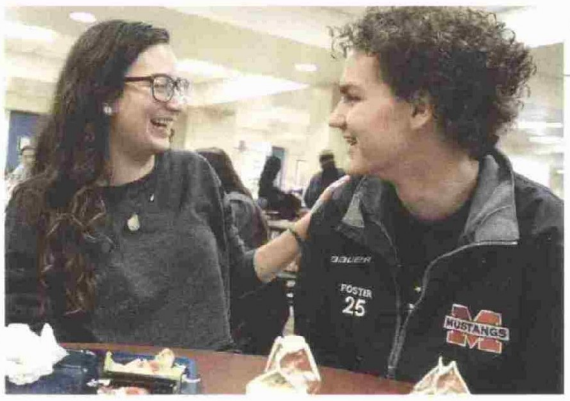
Michaela Marcotte, junior, holds a steady long distance relationship with her girlfriend Sarah who lives in Peru, Ind.

2.5 hours away

121 miles from Munster

4 hour Skype calls

"Instead of hanging up at night, we just let the Skype call keep going until the morning, then hang up in the morning"

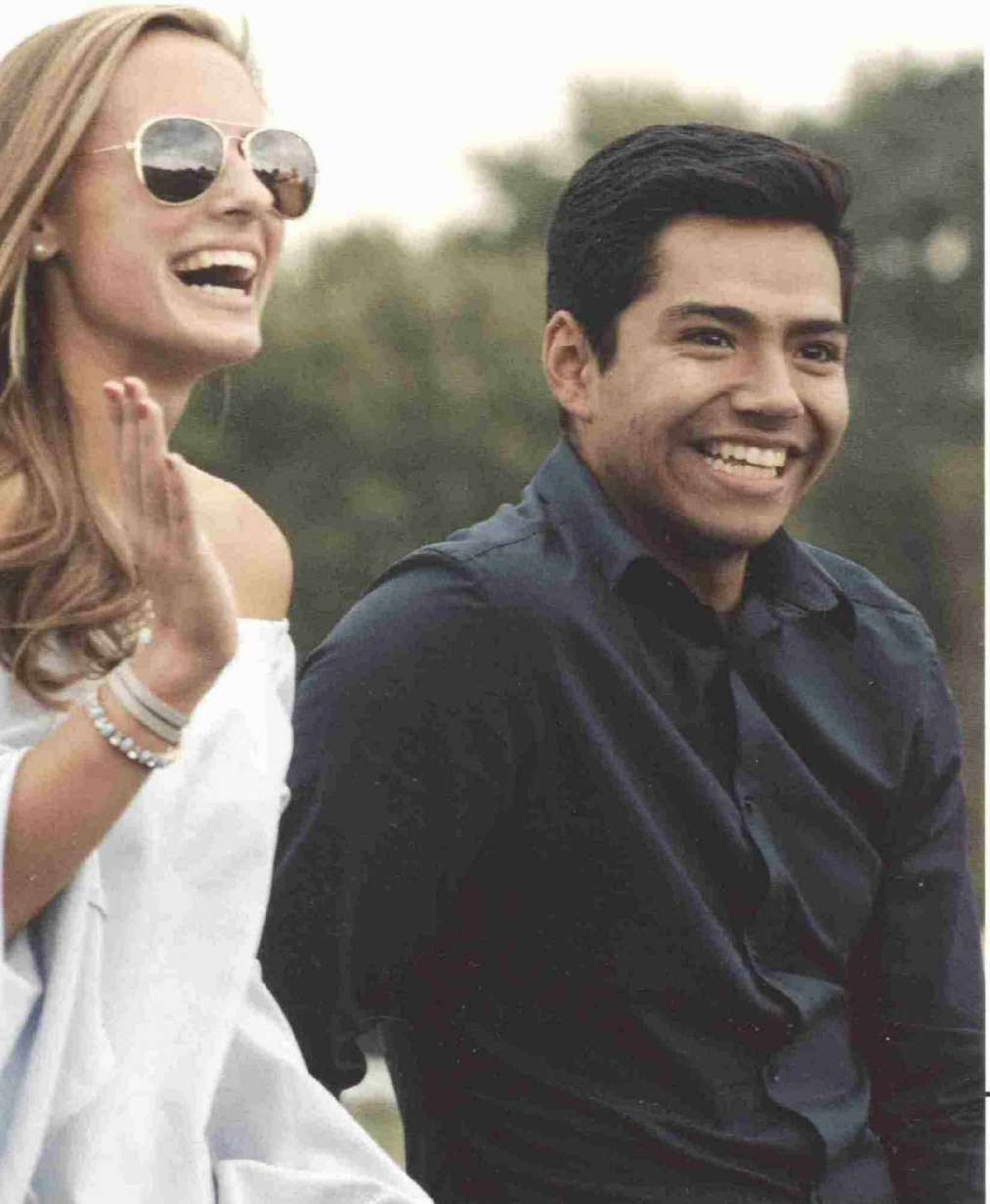


Touch of Love

Between classes and busy schedules, students find time throughout the day to see their significant others

Locker Love Sitting by the lockers in the South, juniors Kamden Gorang and Nicole Jen talk before class. Every day before first hour, the couple sat together until the bell rang. "On Tuesdays, he used to ride his bike to school to have extra time to sit by me," Nicole said. Photo by Sydney Pastor

Lunch Laughs During lunch, seniors Jack Foster and Breanna Riordan joke around. After dating for eight months, they were excited to hear they were in the same lunch. "I was probably making fun of her, to be honest," Jack said. Photo by Kess Vaitkus



Long TERM

Seniors Kendal Ziel and Xavier Unzueta celebrate five years

Story by Kammy Moore

Facebook messages. A place to keep in contact – or to start a long-term relationship. Seniors Kendal Ziel and Xavier Unzueta started dating after Kendal sent a message to Xavier in eighth grade.

"[Kendal] actually sent me a direct message on Facebook in eighth grade, so that was how we started," Xavier said. "Being in a long-term relationship at this age could be hard sometimes but for the most part you just go with the flow."

The rhythm of their dating life has been steady all throughout high school.

"Growing up together was really fun," Kendal said. "Watching [Xavier] become the person he is was really awesome."

Kendal and Xavier commonly spent their free time going to get food together.

"We always joked because he always wanted to pick where he wants to go but then we always end up going where I want to go," Kendal said.

The two both agreed that being in a high school relationship has been an overall positive experience.

"I felt like being with Xavier made me a better person," Kendal said. "We were best friends too, so it was all in one."

Smile and Wave As part of the Homecoming court, Xavier Unzueta and Kendal Ziel, seniors, ride around the track in the Homecoming parade. "It was an exciting time," Xavier said. "The homecoming parade was a fun experience to be a part of in high school." Photo by Kess Vaitkus

#MeToo

The #MeToo movement was a viral hashtag used on social media to capture the widespread prevalence of sexual harassment and assault. Students express their thoughts and opinion about the movement

"I stood with the Me Too Movement because for too long we had been silenced and shamed into keeping things that weren't our fault to ourselves. We could finally all come together and rise up as one to show that these attitudes and actions by men wouldn't be accepted anymore."
— **Emma Stevens, 11**

"I thought it was great that people were being able to express their personal stories and opened others eyes to what was going on. It was really important and should be paid attention to and should be taken seriously."
— **Chelsea Okolocha, 12**

"I thought it was a very strong movement. In Hollywood there was a lot of issues especially with the Harvey Weinstein incident."
— **Kwame Nnuro-Frimpong, 12**

A New Instagram

Students create "fake" Instagram accounts or "finstas"

48.8% Didn't have a finsta

37.9% Had a Finsta

13.3% What is a Finsta?

What is Finsta?
"You pretty much posted anything that you wouldn't post on your regular insta."
—Emily Malave, 10

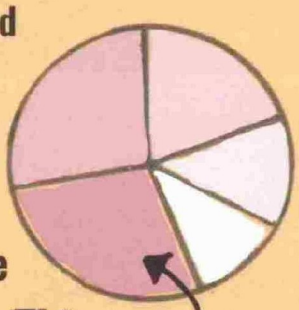
What is Finsta used for?
"It was somewhere that I could be funny and post stupid stuff."
—Aidan Smith, 10

What's the Hype?

Our favorite shows and most anticipated movies

Binge-Watched

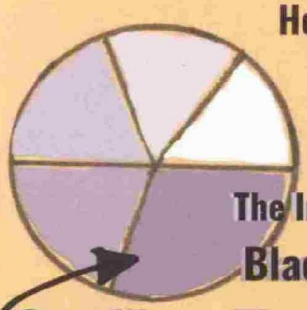
most popular shows



- Black Mirror
- Friends
- Riverdale
- The Office
- Stranger Things 2

Hollywood Hits

most popular movies



- 50 Shades Freed
- IT
- The Incredibles 2
- Black Panther
- Star Wars: The Last Jedi

The Death of Vine

After the Vine app shut down, students remember their favorite vines

Q: How did you feel about the app, Vine, shutting down?

A: "I was actually so mad."
—Iris Peck, 10

A: "When Vine died, I died."
—Yalissa Rubio, 10

A: "I didn't start watching Vines until after it died so it didn't really effect me."
—Melinda Michalski, 10

Q: What is your favorite Vine?

A: "Hi, welcome to Chili's."
—Iris Peck, 10

A: "Hi my names Trey, I got a basketball game tomorrow."
—Yalissa Rubio, 10

A: "Fresh A vac ado."
—Melinda Michalski, 10

Fast Fashion

The most popular fashion trends seen in and out of school

90's Inspired

Supreme brand

Athleisure

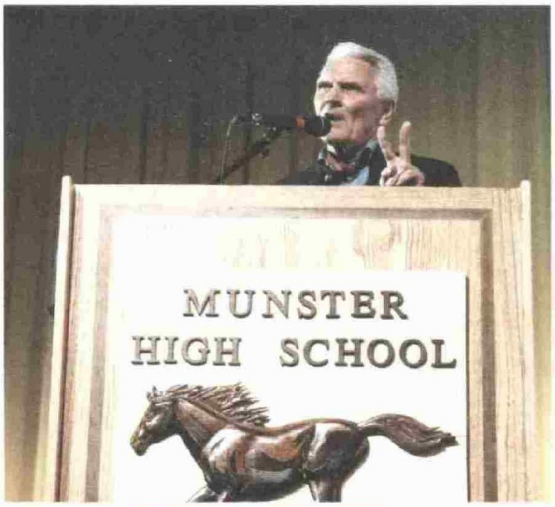
Fenty Beauty

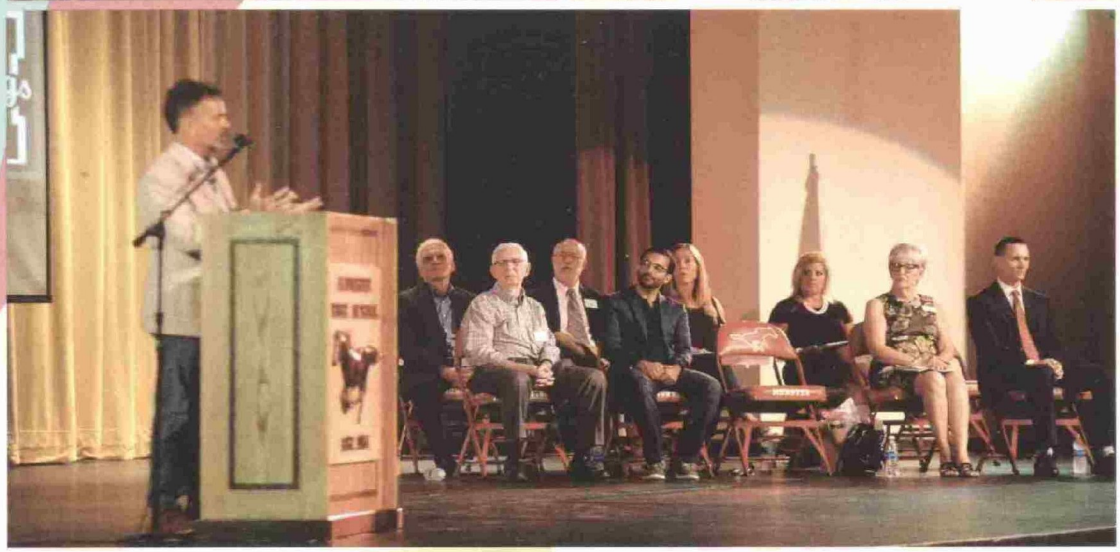
Tiny sunglasses

Billboard Top Songs

Our most played songs of the year

Source: Billboard.com





Via Livestream During the Hall of Fame presentation, freshmen Nana Nnuro-Frimpong and Tyler Reyna, work on homework during the presentation. Freshmen and sophomores were required to watch the presentation via livestream because there was not enough space for all 1,500 students. "I would've liked to watch it in the auditorium, Nana said. **Peace Out** Holding up a peace sign, Will Glaros, delivers his speech on stage in the auditorium. After graduating from Munster in 1968 he founded The Meyers Glaros Group. He told Crier how Munster helped him to achieve his sucess: "One of the most profound things was what I got from Speech and Debate because it taught me how to communicate, because if you could communicate, you could accomplish just about anything." **What an Honor** Sitting with fellow inductees, Mara Candelaria Reardon, Hall of Fame inductee, watches and listens to Jim Dedelow give his speech. In her speech, she focused on making people understand that there is a long life after high school. "With my children in attendance, I felt a huge responsibility to not embarrass them," Mara said.

Photos by Elizabeth Fonseca, Melanie Powers and Kess Vaitkus

A Filter for Everything

Most popular Snapchat filters

Dog with tongue out

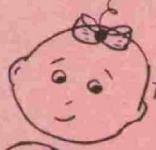
Munster geofilter

Floating hearts

Dancing hotdog

A Year in Pop Culture

The most relevant moments in pop culture this year



Kylie Jenner and Travis Scott's baby

Superbowl LII

Solar eclipse of August 21

Prince Harry and Meghan Markle's royal engagment

PyeongChang 2018 Olympic Winter Games

RuPaul's Drag Race

Keep Me Posted

Instructions:
Read this spread in 25 years

Story by Micala Boyd

This school year was like no other. New trends in social media, passing fashion trends, popular songs, and our favorite snap filters came and went. However, it will never be exactly the same, so Paragon created a time capsule to capture all the hype.

Just like us, the Alumni Hall of Fame Inductees created their own legacy. The inductees in the second induction included the following Munster alumni: Zal Bilimoria, '00; Mara Candelaria Reardon, '82; Jim Dedelow, '80; Donald Fesko, '90; Will Glaros, '68; James Hamblin, '01; Michelle Plantinga, '87. Additionally, three former teachers were inducted: John Edington, '60-'04; Linda Elman, '70-'98; ; and David Russell, '70-'11.

The annual induction ceremony into Alumni Hall of Fame was an opportunity for students to get inspired and start planning their claim to fame.

Information and rankings on spread based on a survey on Google forms of 512 responses from Feb. 7-12

WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

If you could put one thing in a time capsule, what would it be?

- ☐ A Yearbook — Mariah Juarez, 12
- ☐ Lollapalooza Wristband — Desiree Bedolla, 11
- ☐ Harry Potter book — Amanda Jonquet, 10
- ☐ Phone messages — Gabie Ingaglia, 12
- ☐ Cereal — Mia Terek, 9
- ☐ PS4 — Matt McCraw, 12
- ☐ iPhone & charger — Alejandro Flores, 12
- ☐ Car keys — Kemper Fane, 10
- ☐ Picture of my brother & I — Cali Grzybowski, 11

Lifetime LISTS

Creating bucket lists gave students options of what to do in their free time Story by Kammy Moore

Having a bucket list kept students busy as they worked to accomplish goals before a certain point in their life.

"It had always been easier to record what you want to do," Sara Ardnt, junior, said. "Being able to see my progress was interesting to me."

Juniors Sara Arndt, Katie Bobb and Mia Guerrero all had their own bucket lists. The bucket lists included goals that would take a lot of time and effort to complete.

"I wanted to get wreck certified," Katie said. "It was another level of scuba [diving] certification where you get specially trained on how to handle things such as shipwrecks. It was going to take a lot of time and money and I was slightly scared of scuba diving, but I had to be more daring, which was another thing on my list."

Some goals were completed by chance.

"I've met George Lucas," Sara said. "I was at a car show with my dad because I went to one every year with him, and (George Lucas) was just there."

Sara also had a few items on her list that included her whole family.

"One of the things I had been working on was visiting all fifty states," Sara said. "I was about halfway done with that because I went to a new state every year. My favorites so far were Pennsylvania and South Carolina. The history in Pennsylvania was really rich, and in South Carolina the beaches were just beautiful."

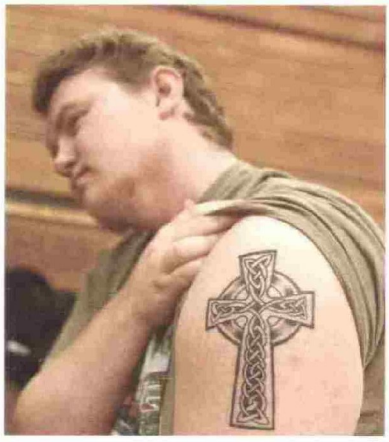
Mia, along with her boyfriend, Chris Kirincic, senior, had a long list of things they wished to accomplish together. Mia split up some of their list by season.

"So far we did half of the fall things and half of the winter," Mia said. "It was very satisfying to check something off, to finally have it over and done with."

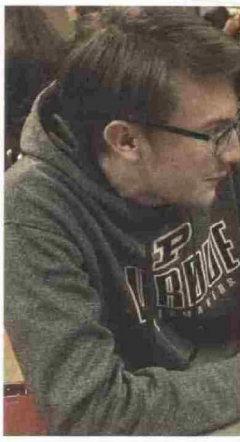
Having a bucket list created personal goals for students to aim for in life.

"Everyone having at least one or two goals that they wanted to accomplish within their life could be something special and unique to them," Katie said. "It would be cool if everyone had a bucket list."

Crossed Off Sitting in the fieldhouse, Jack Murphy, senior, shows off his tattoo to some classmates. He had a mental bucket list of things to do when he turned eighteen. "Getting a tattoo was the main thing on the list," Jack said. Photo by Victoria Reardon



Goal Talk During lunch, Katie Bobb, junior, talks to Logan Hoskins, senior, about her bucket list. The two discussed their life goals. "A thing on my bucket list was to get something off of my bucket list eventually, so once I do something I get to check two things off," Katie said. Photo by Sydney Pastor



Lovely Lists

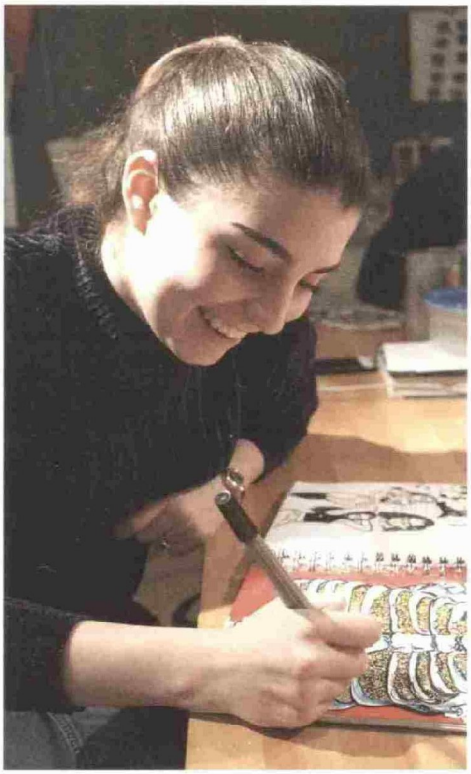
Juniors Sara Arndt, Rachel Lyons and Mia Guerrero share their bucket lists

Sara's List

"I split it up into sections to keep it more organized. It was easier to see what category I was doing better on."

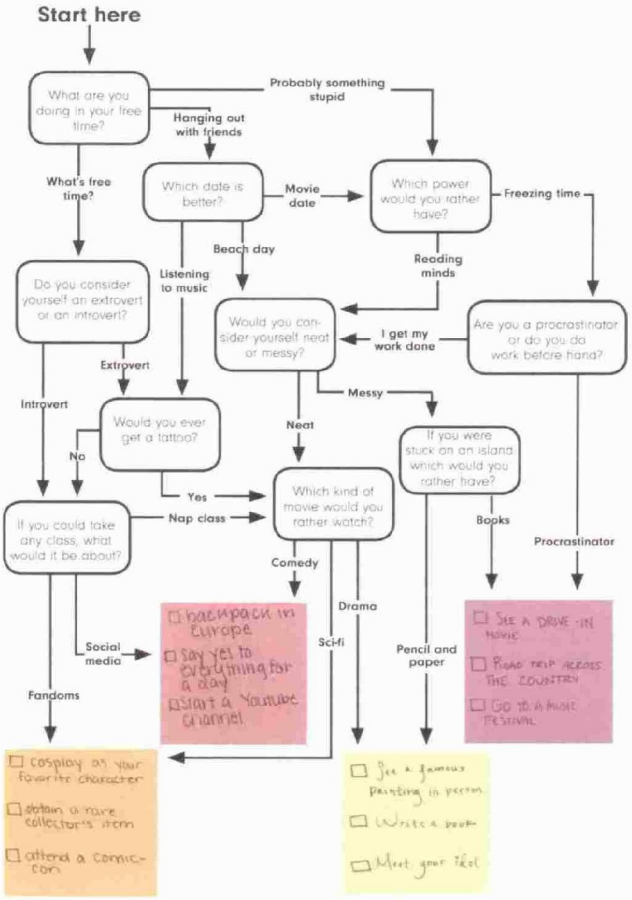
Gingerbread Joy Dressed in their holiday best, Mia Guerrero, junior, and Chris Kirincic, senior, check off one item on their bucket list: decorating gingerbread houses. After attempting to build the house many times, they were finally able to pull it together. "It was probably one of the worst gingerbread houses I had ever seen," Chris said. "I was very confident it would break before we finished." Photo by Sydney Pastor

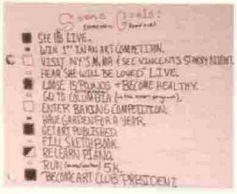
Daily Works During art class, Rachel Lyons, junior, details one of her art pieces. She made it a goal to draw something every day. "Since drawing is so important to me, putting emphasis on it everyday is probably one of the best things I could do for myself," Rachel said. Photo by Sydney Pastor



What Should be on Your Bucket List?

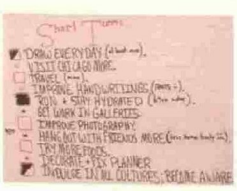
Follow the flowchart to figure out what activities you should add to your personal bucket list





Rachel's Lists

"I was a relatively busy person, so keeping my priorities visually in front of me was a key aspect in keeping myself together."



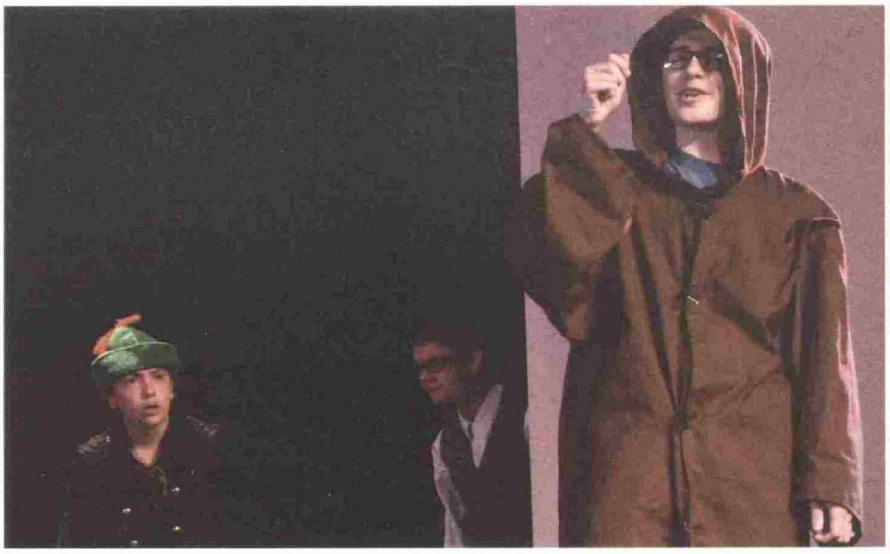
Mia's List

"I did all of it one night when I was bored. I was just looking up some fun things to do."

WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

What do you want to do before you die?

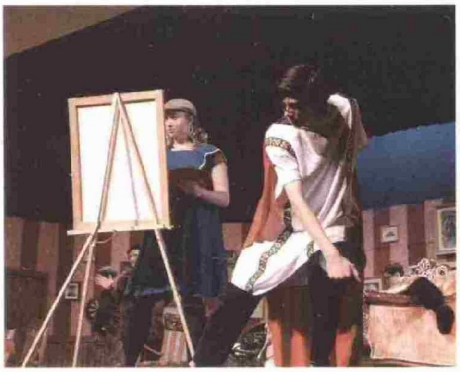
- ☐ pet a lion — Kristina Sosic, 10
- ☐ Travel — Alice Foley, 9
- ☐ Sightsee — Taylor Graham, 9
- ☐ Visit every continent — Joseph Bellahcen, 11
- ☐ Tour Europe — Ethan Stewart, 11
- ☐ Eat Kobe beef — Brendan Bleza, 11
- ☐ Go to Paris — Isabell Gonzales, 11
- ☐ Skydiving — Waaniya Irfan, 9
- ☐ Bungee-jump — Maureen Van Matre, 9



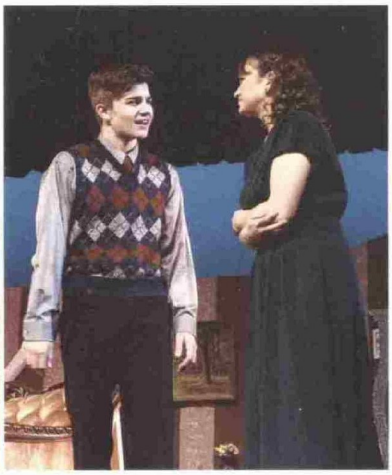
I Do Declare While Noel Fary, sophomore, and Isaiah Rosinski, freshman, secretly watch James Shelton, sophomore, in confusion as he performs a comedic monologue. Friar Tuck, played by James, strangely voiced his invisible food, a chicken leg and root beer, during his private feast before he was unexpectedly interrupted by surprise guests. After caught, the Friar was embarrassed, but quickly recovered by deciding to join Robin Hood, portrayed by Noel, on his quests to marry Maid Marian. "He was definitely one of my favorite characters I had ever played," James said, "He was very strange and weird, but also funny and creative in his own ways." Photo by Kess Vaitkus

Finally Stepping into Center Stage

The winter show "You Can't Take It With You" was in production from Feb. 8-11



Strike a Pose Painting a picture of Francis Hovland, freshman, as he poses, Kalie Miles, senior, embodies her character's passion for art. The character, Penny Sycamore, resembled Kalie in many ways. "Because this was the first lead I had ever done in high school, it was like going out with a bang," Kalie said. Photo by Lilia Brunetti



Duo Drama Emotionally, Jack Sullivan, sophomore, delivers a dialogue to Ally Shinkan, senior, during the winter production. In this scene, the two star-crossed lovers are discussing their future apart. "Performing romantically was not as hard as some people might have thought it would be," Jack said. "Because of the fact that you got involved with the characters and the scene, it flowed naturally." Photo by Lilia Brunetti

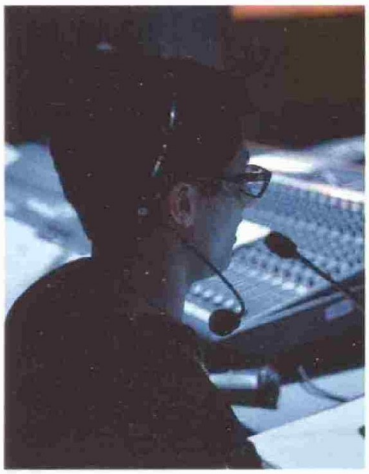
WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

What's your dream role?

- ☐ Donna Sheridan — Kelli Little, 11
- ☐ Cosette — Ariel Velasco, 10
- ☐ Reno Sweeny — Ally Shinkan, 12
- ☐ Thomas Jefferson — James Sroge, 11
- ☐ Aaron Burr — Ava Quasney, 9
- ☐ Jason Dean — Logan Hoskins, 12
- ☐ Eponine — Anna Speckhard, 9
- ☐ Evan Hansen — Jack Sullivan, 10
- ☐ Princess Ariel — Kalie Miles, 12
- ☐ Mrs. Lovett — Abigail Watts, 11
- ☐ Veronica Sawyer — Kelly Collins, 11

Inside the Tech Booth

The Tech Booth controls the lighting and sound in a production of "You Can't Take it With You"



Hit the Lights As Technical Director, Joe Bellahcen, junior, coordinates lighting and sounds. For this show, Joe stage managed, which included set design and blocking. "As technical director, my personal philosophy was not to do things for people or be in control but to serve as a source of guidance," Joe said.

Stage View During tech week, Andrew Wittkamp, freshman, communicates over his com-headset with other auditorium staff members. Through the duration of the rehearsal, he and other staff adjusted final lighting and sound cues for the production before opening night. "Being in booth as a freshman was great because it gave me a lot of experience for the rest of my high school career," Andrew said. Photo by Lilia Brunetti

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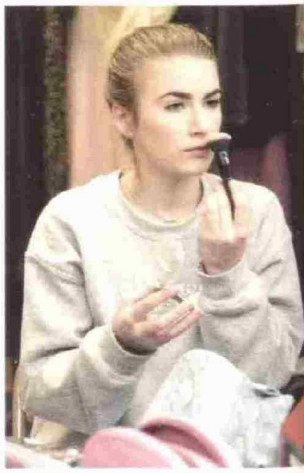


Running the SHOW

Students share the impact of their directing experience for the novice show

Story by Abbey Burris

For "The Trials of Robin Hood," the fall novice show, Christina Burzynski, junior, student directed with Ben Peters, junior, and Kim Giannini, senior.

"I was interested in behind the scenes since I had always been on stage," Christina said. "I wanted to see what it would be like from the director's point of view."

During auditions for the show, Kim assisted Christina and Ben which led her to a role as assistant student director. The team learned how to time manage.

"It definitely was people management and time management because we had to use what little time we had at rehearsals really well," Kim said.

The show ran from Oct. 5-8.

"When that curtain went down, and seeing how happy those kids were was just relief and satisfaction," Kim said.

Their new perspective added to their performance level. Each director learned something new from their experience.

"It helped me with acting because I saw how people did things on stage," Ben said.

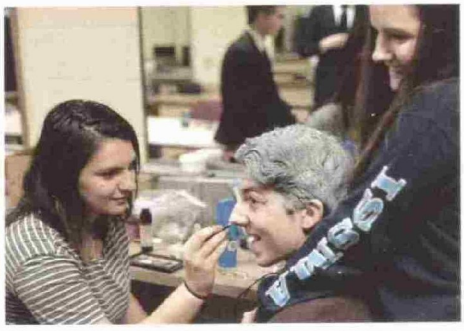
From her experience, Christina learned the importance of directors during the production of a show.

"It wasn't just the actors on stage, but it was the director's part to help them make the show good," Christina said.

Pouty Prince Playing the antagonist of the show, Demetrios Fotopoulos, freshman, cackles at Maya Radjenovich, junior, during the novice show. Prince John, portrayed by Demetrios, sarcastically attempts to console Maid Marian, portrayed by Maya, who had just found out her father had been captured by crusaders. "I really enjoyed that part," Demetrios said. "It was one of the best parts I've had up to this date, definitely top two." Photo by Robert Young

Behind the Curtain

Actors and actresses prep backstage before the production of "You Can't Take it With You"



Stage Ready Touching up her stage makeup, Anna Speckhard, freshman, applies excess highlighter to her cupid's bow. In the performing arts, an abundance of stage makeup was necessary. "Getting ready backstage was always a blast," Anna said. "Overall, it was great." **Helping Hand** Preparing backstage, Chloe Jancosek, senior, assists Ally Shinkan, senior, with applying false eyelashes. As stage director, Chloe was required do anything that was needed for the show, such as getting students ready, or helping with the set and props. "It gave me so much happiness to see something I worked so hard for to be put on stage and look so great," Chloe said. **Act Your Age** Backstage, Taylor Fishman, senior, prepares Mikey McDunn, freshman, with old age makeup. Realistic hair and makeup enhanced the actors on stage and made the production more believable. "In my opinion, it was a privilege to have this job because it was something I excelled at and I loved doing," Taylor said. Photos by Lilia Brunetti

all shapes and SIZES

Students own unusual pets of all kinds, from snakes to bunnies to birds

Story by Catie Gilhooly

Every day, Chloe Moffett, senior, sits down to do her homework with a scaly necklace named Ramona slithering around in her hair.

"[Snakes] are not a very high-maintenance pet, and once they gain your trust they just chill with you," Chloe said. "They would either lay in my hands, go around my neck, if I was wearing glasses they would weave around, or on top of my hair if it was in a bun. It was like you were wearing a necklace, but it was a cute little snake."

For John Banaszak, freshman, pets with feathers that flew were the normal around his house, having owned 16 birds during his life.

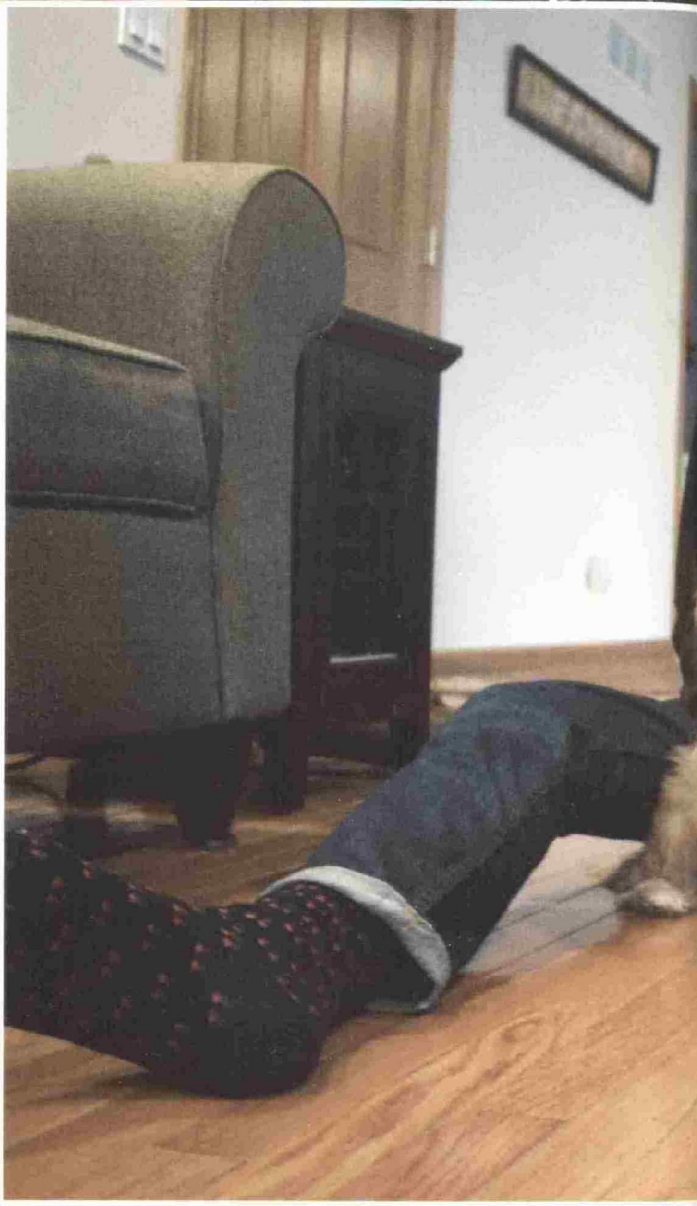
"Birds were messier than a cat or dog," John said. "They sprayed seed everywhere and you have to vacuum a lot. But they were also really cool in that they bonded with a specific person, and then that was your bird."

When Isabell Gonzalez, junior, asked her mom for a bunny in April, she never expected her to say yes.

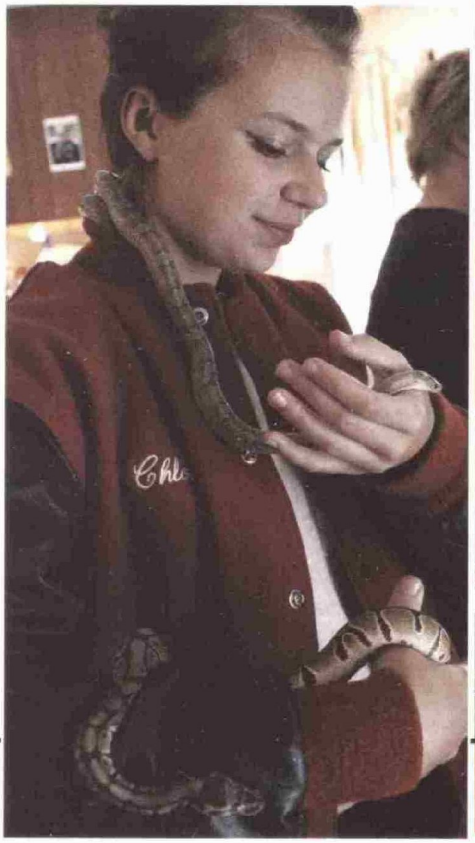
"It's an experience," Isabell said. "As long as you care for them correctly, you get to have a better understanding of responsibility when you're taking care of pets, while having fun."

Whether students had a pet that hopped or slithered, scurried or flew, chased its tail, or had nine lives, one thing's for sure; pets can help to make people feel a little less alone, according to Chloe.

"Having pets gave me a really good form of companionship," Chloe said. "Sometimes as a teenager you didn't really want to talk to anybody, and it was a really different form of love between human and animal."



Puppy Love While playing a game of fetch with his new dog, Stan Herrera, senior, had his dog Teddy for four months. Going on walks and playing fetch were some of Stan's favorite activities to do with Teddy. "I liked that Teddy was still a puppy and he runs around like a puppy," Stan said. "You could just throw him on your lap and he would lay down and watch movies with you all day." Photo by Victoria Reardon



Slithering Away Holding two out of her three snakes, Chloe Moffett, senior, has always liked snakes since she saw when she was 10 years old. One of her snakes was in the process of shedding, while in the process snakes shed the skin on their eyeballs because they have no eyelids. "Ramona Flowers from Scott Pilgrim, Voldemort from Harry Potter, and Biggie Smalls are the names of my snakes," Chloe said. Photo by Sydney Pastor

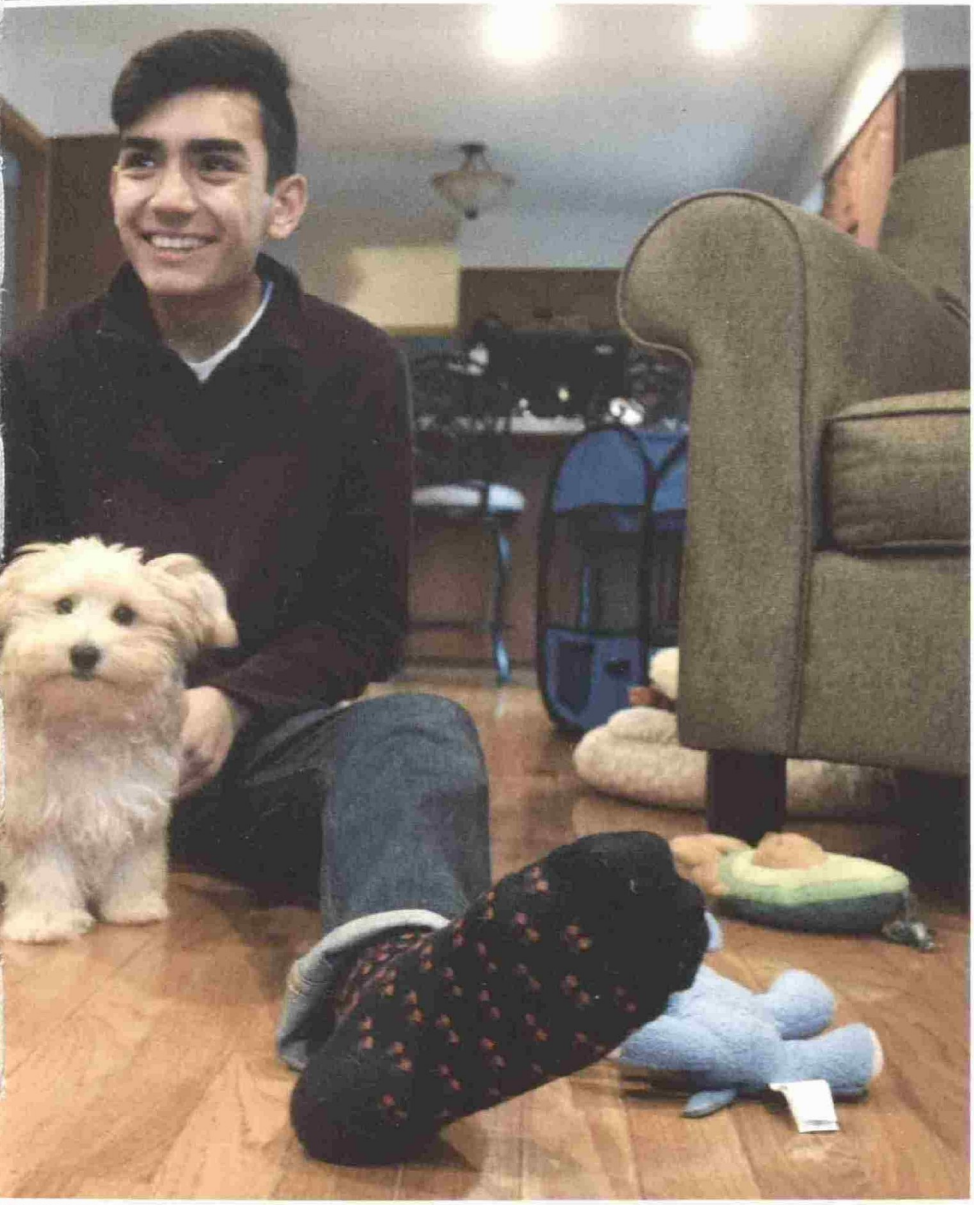
WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

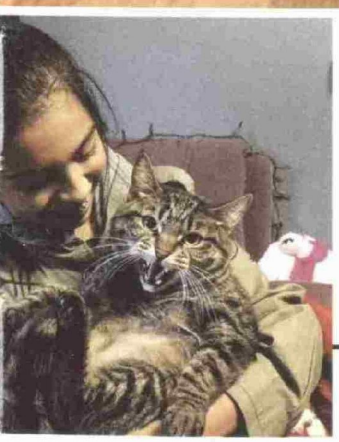
What is the name of your pet?

- ☐ Snuggles — Samantha Buffano, 10
- ☐ Thor — Kammy Moore, 11
- ☐ Snoopy — Grant Afman, 10
- ☐ Frosty — Olivia Candelaria, 9
- ☐ Daisy — Kyle Snyder, 12
- ☐ Odie — Hannah Bard, 9

Chirp, Chirp Holding one of his birds, John Banaszak, freshman, owns a total of 16 birds that he keeps as pets. His dad started collecting birds when he got one from his former girlfriend 25 years ago. "My favorite part about owning all of these birds is that they bond with a specific person and that is their person," John said. Photo by Victoria Reardon

Bunny Hop Bailey and Flop are the names of junior Isabell Gonzalez's, bunnies which she has had for a couple of months. Eating some hay, Bailey and Flop mostly ate hay but they ate strawberries, bananas, and lettuce. "Bailey was very playful while Flop was very loud because he stomps at night," Isabell said. Photo by Sydney Pastor





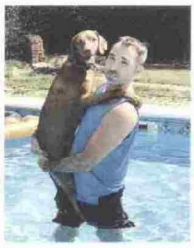
Sit, Stay Giving her dog Snuggles a treat, Sam Buffano, sophomore, has fun playing with her dog. Sam learned that having two dogs was a challenge because they both want to do different things. "I got Snuggles as a birthday gift at my lakehouse in Wisconsin," Sam said. "He was cute and I liked cuddling with him." Photo by Abbey Burris

Purrfect Holding her playful cat, Kitty, Alisha Evans, sophomore, has had her cat for four years. Alisha loves hanging out with him. "My favorite thing to do with Kitty was putting him between my legs because he balls up and purrs a lot," Alisha said. Photo by Robert Young

Teachers' Pets

Teachers share their favorite stories and qualities of their furriest friends beyond the classroom

Boomer



"He is overly affectionate and I'm convinced he believes he is human."
—Mr. Bret Winternheimer, band director

Beezer and Mazy

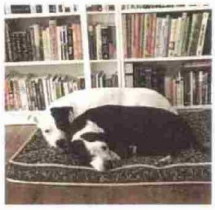
"I sold one of my horses that I had raised and trained and she went on to win four World Champion titles."
—Ms. Kelly Haussman, science teacher

Tucker and Ranger

"They ate an entire red velvet birthday cake, leaving the white kitchen floor and cabinets smeared in red." —Mrs. Kyleen Nolan, science teacher

Frankie and Oliver

"Frankie is intelligent, playful and fun. She is always getting into trouble. Oliver is sweet and loves to cuddle."
—Mrs. Kelly Barnes, English teacher

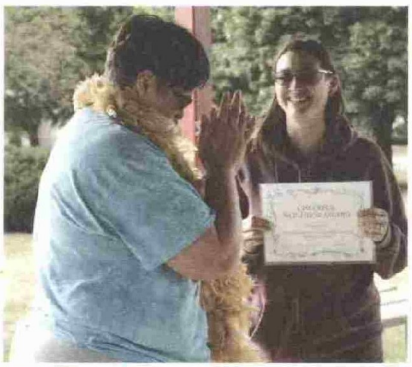


Milo and Murphy

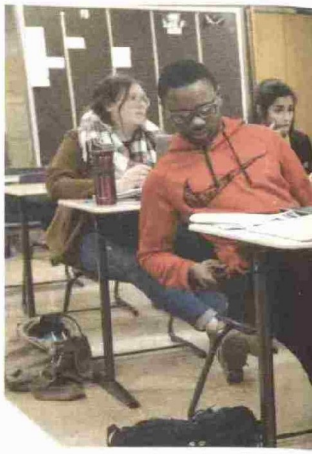
"Milo thought the new black kitty with the long white stripe down its back was going to be a fun playmate. We smelled that encounter for months. Murphy decided to help me grade essays with my red pen one time."
—Mrs. Tammy Daugherty, English teacher

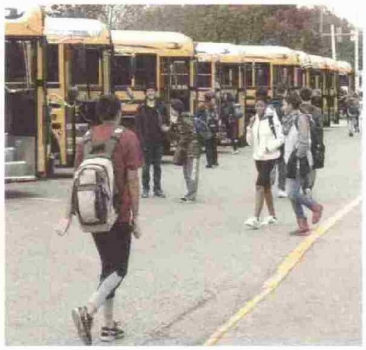
Homeward Bound

Students get home in many ways such as by bus, car or walking



Happy Days Being recognized for her cheerfulness, Merri Robbins, a crossing guard in Munster receives the Cheerful Neighbor Award. Whenever Mary was working as a crossing guard, she waved to anyone that passed by. Kids that knew her participated in "Merri Day" where they made posters for her and celebrated. "I was so, so very happy and shocked that I cried," Merri said. Photo by Sydney Pastor





Daily Travels Walking to the bus after school, Olivia Everette and Taylor Jones, juniors, like to chat before they part ways to get on different buses. Olivia was on the bus morning and night. While on the bus, she liked to keep to herself by listening to music and occasionally talking to her cousin. "The only weird things on the bus were the kids that smelled odd," Olivia said. Photo by Kess Vaitkus

Beating The Rush Rushing to get to her car after school, Maddy Foreit, junior, and Katie Dedelow, senior, like to get out of the parking lot as soon as possible. Maddy drove people home after school because she liked the company. "I was usually pretty rushed because if you weren't in your car by 2:58 you sat in traffic in the lot," Maddy said. Photo by Megan Wolski

WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

What's one thing you need to get through the day?

- ☐ Water — Ben Favela, 12
- ☐ Fatso's — Maddie Barnett, 12
- ☐ Friends — Isabella Wolski, 10
- ☐ Chocolate Milk — Sunny Patel, 12
- ☐ Music — Noah Montoya, 12
- ☐ My cat — Hope Meierkort, 10
- ☐ Friends — Anna Speckhard, 9
- ☐ Laptop — Lydia Smith, 11

Working Around THE CLOCK

Student share their responsibilities at work and how they manage a job and school simultaneously Story by Abbey Burris

Students worked outside of school at jobs around the Region.

Working at Lansing Cleaners in Munster, Ella Uylaki, junior, tagged clothes customers brought in and then bagged them to be picked up.

"The public was difficult to deal with," Ella said. "Everyone was different."

From working at Dante's pizza, Alicia Chudziak, junior, understood the important of having patience.

"I learned how to be very patient around people because sometimes people could be crazy," Alicia said.

Balancing work and school was not as difficult as imagined. They used breaks and time in school to finish homework.

"I would do my homework there when I had a break," Alicia said.

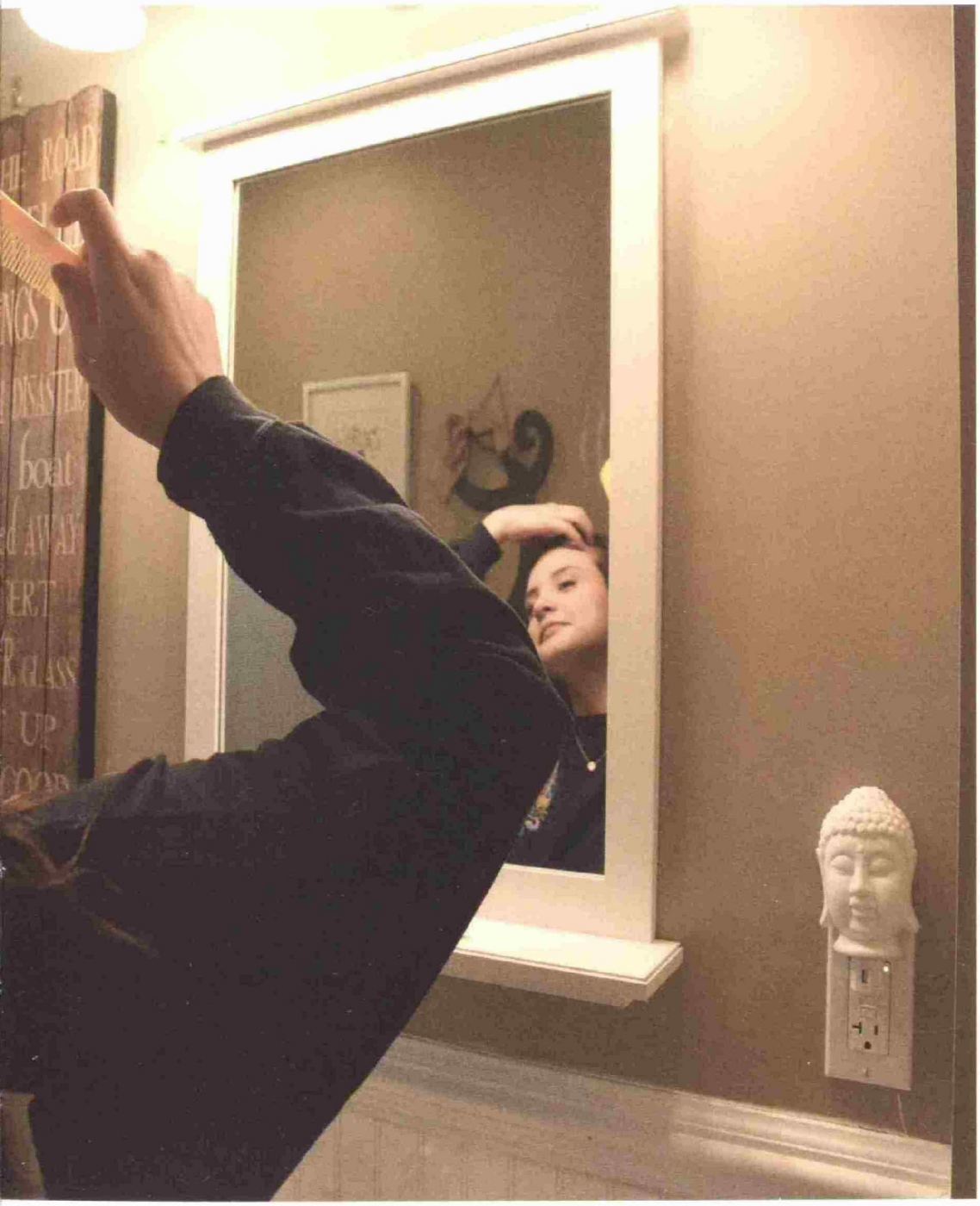
Ella learned the importance of time management and how it translated outside of her job.

"Having a job had benefited my time management," Ella said. "I felt like I could now manage school and other things better."

Staying In School

Students think about what they have to do after the final bell during the school day

Quick Glance In AP Environmental Science, seniors Khaleel Igue and Erin Wilkens glance at their phones. Even with the fear of getting phones taken away, students had the urge to check. "I usually went on my phone every three periods," Khaleel said. **Long Hours** Juniors Lauren Kozy, Megan Szymanski, Maria Glowacki, and Ian Brundige, senior, eat together during "Pubsgiving" in their newspaper class. Staff members spent long hours together after school on deadline. After school, the day before Thanksgiving break, the publications staff decorated their classroom for Christmas. **Hallway Laughter** You could find juniors Samantha Barraza and Alaina Lany judging role plays at an after school DECA practice. It was normal to stay as late to practice for their competition where they would not only perform, but also take a 100 question multiple choice test. "DECA was life," Barraza said. Photos by Melanie Powers and Easari Venkat



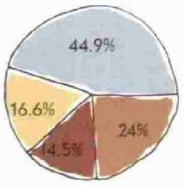
Coffee To-Go On a late-start Thursday, Kelli Canul, senior, orders an iced coffee from Dunkin' Donuts in Munster. She enjoyed the later start time of Tuesdays and Thursdays because she could get coffee. "I needed coffee to start my day," Kelli said. Photo by Taylor Homans

Get Ready With Me After doing her makeup, Eliana Candelaria, freshman, can be found combing her hair before she has to rush to the bus. Waking up at 6 a.m. to make the bus was not always easy for Eliana. "I spent 10 minutes on my hair and 30 minutes on my makeup," Eliana said. Photo by Victoria Reardon

Morning Routine

Students answer questions about their coffee habits and number of alarms they set

Where do you go for your morning coffee?



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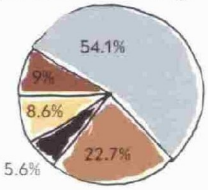

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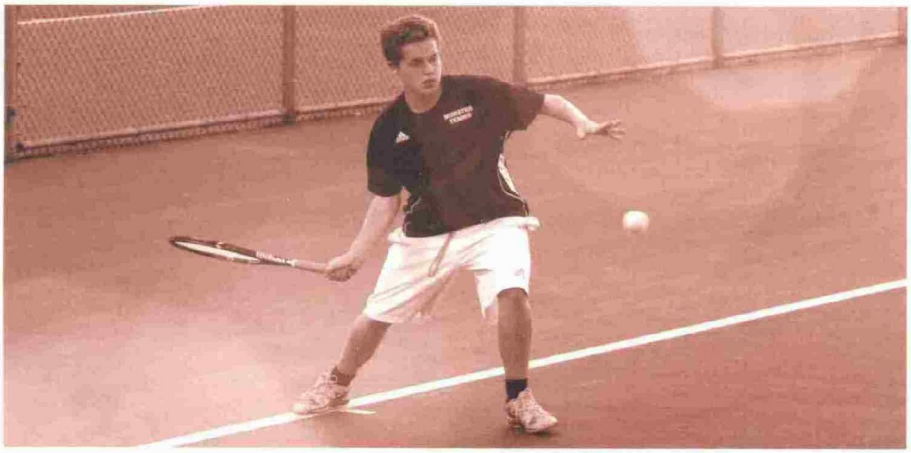
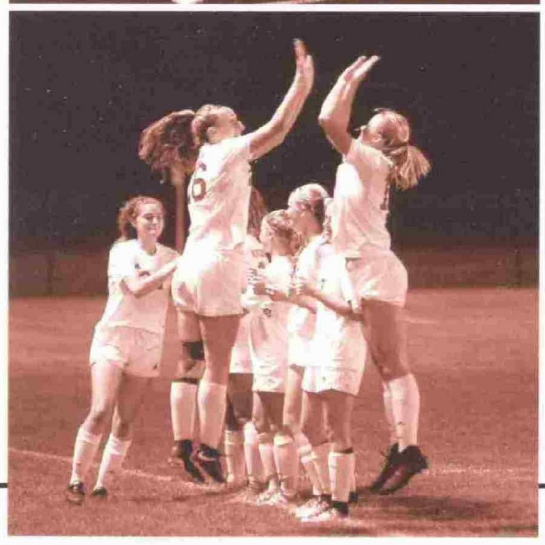


Swing It Preparing to hit a forehand, Joe Webster, sophomore, focuses in on the incoming ball. It was the first match he played the day the Boys' Tennis team faced Hobart at Regionals. "I got off to a slow start, but I was able to regain my composure and got back to win the match," Webster said. **Cheer Up** Poms in the air, Corina Cabrales, junior, Gillian Bedenk, sophomore, and Melina Chioros, sophomore, cheer to the student section. The team supported the football team at all their games. "I loved my team," Cabrales said. "I thought we all got along very well and we'd actually gotten super close." **Joy Jump** Greeting her teammate, Olivia Foley (26), senior, jumps up to high five Jaycee Helmer (18), senior. As the starting line-up was called, the girls hyped each other up as each one came out onto the field. "We always high-fived," Foley said. "We had a joke because she was so tall, so she raised her hands really high when we clapped." **Breakin' Free** Flags waving through the air, Andrew Rapata (69), senior, leads the football team through the banner to start off the Homecoming game. The team was ready for their game against Morton. "As a kid coming to games I'd see somebody run out with the flag and we hadn't done it in a couple years so I decided this year that I wanted to do it," Rapata said. Photos by Kess Vaitkus, Lauren Kozy and Easan Venkat



Played the homecoming football game against Morten, jumped over hurdles for track, woke up early for swim practice, spent hours in the weightroom after school, hit the ceiling with a flag during color guard rehearsal, dressed up for girls' XC spirit week

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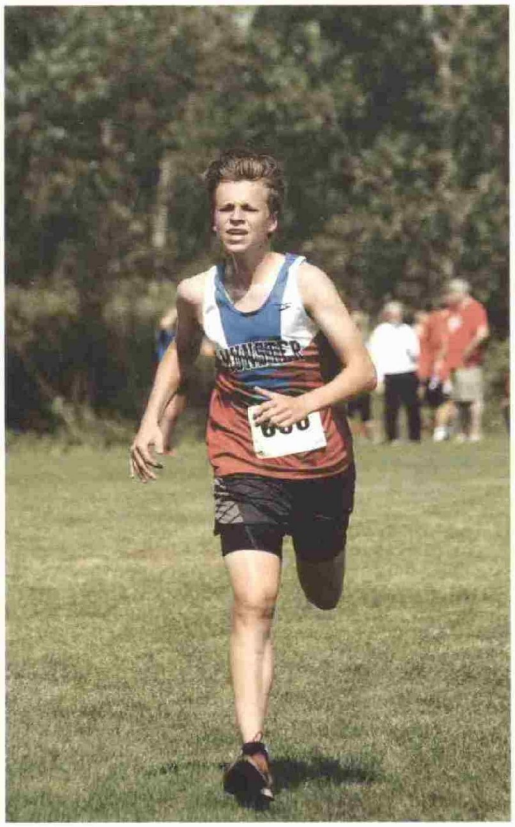
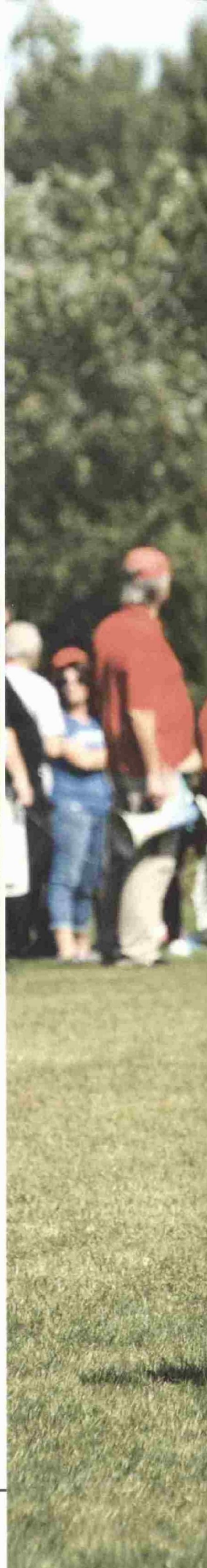
WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

What is your favorite sports team?

- ☐ East High Wildcats — Kelly Collins, 11
- ☐ Cubs — Grant Afman, 10
- ☐ Lakers — Kara Bryant, 11
- ☐ Blackhawks — Samantha Kall, 11
- ☐ Chicago Bears — Chris Kirincic, 12
- ☐ Chicago White Sox — Chris Perez, 12
- ☐ Womens National Soccer Team — Alyssa Valadez, 10
- ☐ Michigan State — Jaden Warner, 10
- ☐ Boston Bruins — Michael Weiner, 12
- ☐ The Bulls — Janica van Ghunt, 11
- ☐ Chicago Blackhawks — Robert Young, 10
- ☐ Cubs — Caitlin Chansler, 11
- ☐ Boston Celtics — Joey Rogers, 10
- ☐ NEW YORK Yankees — Yasmeen Sabbah, 11
- ☐ The Bears — Cole Munoz, 11
- ☐ New England Patriots — Matt Marszowski, 11
- ☐ Boston Celtics — Nick Martinez, 11
- ☐ White Sox — Casey Meldgin, 11
- ☐ Chicago Cubs — Max Paredes, 11
- ☐ Cubs — Tyler Zabrecky, 11
- ☐ Cubs — Ben Peters, 11
- ☐ CHICAGO BULLS — Declan Urbaniak, 11

Stronger Standing together after the race, Sami Safi, senior, takes a water break with Cody Phillips, senior. They waited for teammates to finish. "When I was close to the finish line , I was so out of breath and was telling myself to keep going," Safi said. **Strong Finish** In his final strides, Steven Biegel, sophomore, runs to finish with an advantage. This was his second year on the Cross Country team. "I was running toward the end of the race," Biegel said. "I was giving it all I had left. I was going for a hard finish." **Kickin' Grass** With hope, Matt Nahnsen, junior, runs to the finish line. He ran fast so he could get a high ranking in the award ceremony. "I had been out of shape because of my two injuries, so I was struggling to go as fast as possible," Nahnsen said. Photos by Robert Young





WHAT'S IS ON YOUR LIST?

What is your favorite place to run?

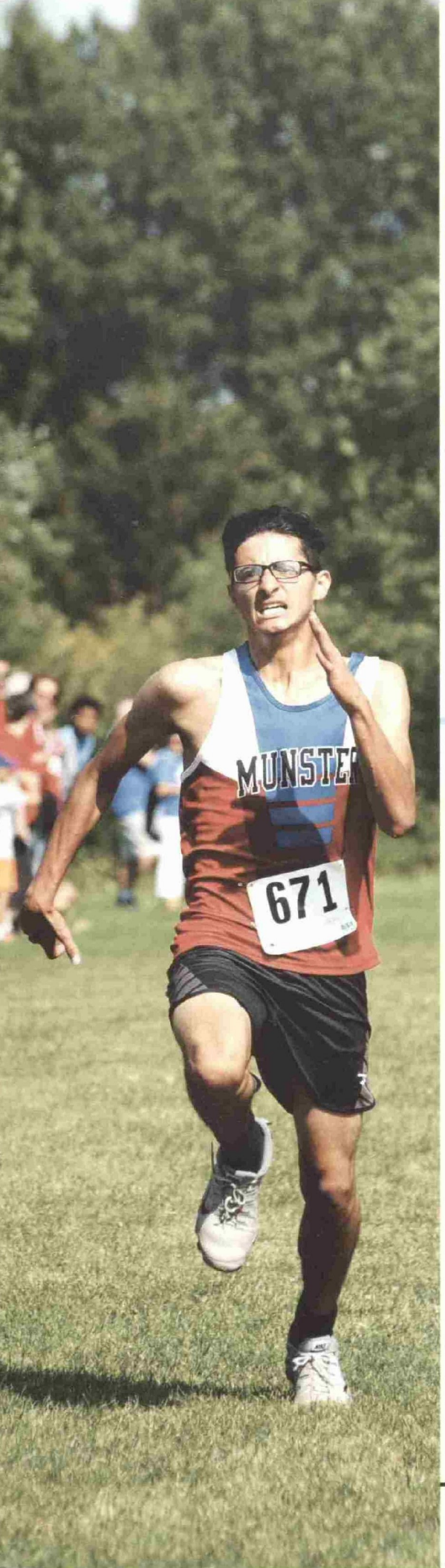
- ☐ The dunes — Ben Blaesing, 10
- ☐ Munster Track — Ethan Buck, 9
- ☐ Cabela's — Nick Dorai, 11
- ☐ Riverside Park — Sami Safi, 12
- ☐ Wicker Park — Steven Biegel, 10
- ☐ New Praire — Martin Bernard, 10
- ☐ Lowell — Nick Szala, 12

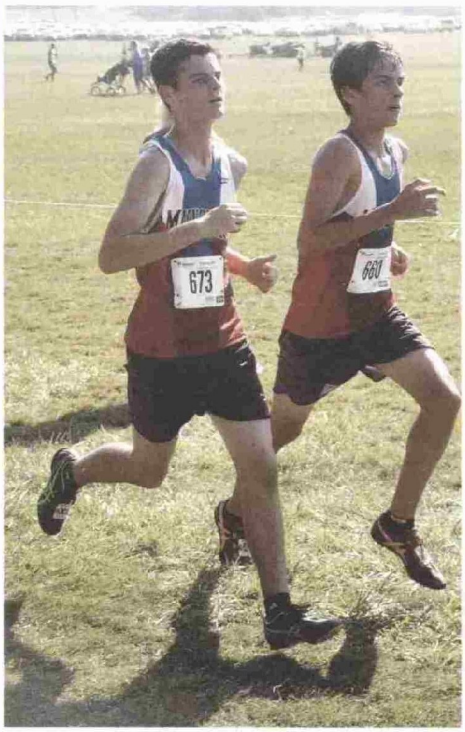
Chasing Memories

Members of the boys' cross country team share their favorite memory

"Cody Phillip's end of practice team-ups because he would make a theme and and sometimes turn it into an acronym like 'TEAM' or 'RUNNING'. They were really funny and motivational. They kept our moods up. Even when we had a bad day, he could make us laugh." —Ethan Buck, freshman

"My favorite memory was at one of our pasta parties that Cody Phillips, senior, was hosting. We usually have them a night before a meet, and the team gets together, eats and hangs out. We had six people ask someone to homecoming. That was a lot of fun."
—Nick Szala, senior





Refuse To Lose Running as hard as he can, Will Stephan, sophomore, continues beside Ben Blaesing, sophomore. He stayed focused at the beginning of the race. "It was difficult to stay focused after being passed by," Stephan said "I was excited, but I tried to stay determined." Photo by Robert Young

Round and Round Coming around the corner, Martin Bernard, junior, focuses on his race. This was the hardest part of the race for him. "I felt such an adrenaline rush, and I felt so accomplished when I finished," Bernard said. Photo by Robert Young

Their Common Goal

Boys' Cross Country captains share their individual and team goals

Story by Abbey Burris

Captains of the Cross Country team were challenged by injuries and morale to their meet goals.

For Captain Jack Jones, senior, his goal was to improve his time.

"My personal goal was to beat my record of 17 minutes and 38 seconds," Jones said. "I beat it by one second."

This goal was shared by Captain Nick Szala, senior.

"Personally, one of my goals was to be the top guy on the team," Szala said. "For the most part, I was one of the top guys on the team but I had an injury that really set me back toward the end of the season."

In his final season of running, Captain Cody Phillips, senior, had two goals.

"I wanted to not get injured and become a leader," Phillips said.

He paid special attention to the way he prepared before running and the team.

"To not get injured, I had to learn how to run properly, ice, and stretch because I didn't know how to do that," Phillips said. "To become a leader, I had to take initiative and stand up."

One goal for the entire team was to qualify for Semi-state.

"Going into the season, we thought we had a real good shot to be really competitive in the Semi-state," Szala said. "Then the majority of our team got hurt at some point. We started the season without four of our varsity runners."

Each runner on the team had individual goals in mind upon entering the season.

"We had a collective team 'Everybody wanted to improve" goal,'" Phillips said.

To make their goals a reality, the team had to put in extra effort during practice.

"It was a lot of hard work and determination," Jones said. "We had practices everyday, even on weekends."

But the team fell short of its Semi-state goal ending with a score of 37-95.

"Cross Country was all about pushing yourself to your limits," Jones said. " And if you didn't think you could push yourself or it was not worth it then you were not going to try as much."

Almost There Zipping past the competition, Sami Safi, senior, runs at the Lake Central inviational meet. In pain, Safi was trying to reach the finishline. "It was really hot that day," Safi said "I was reallly tired, but I went into a full sprint." Photo by Robert Young

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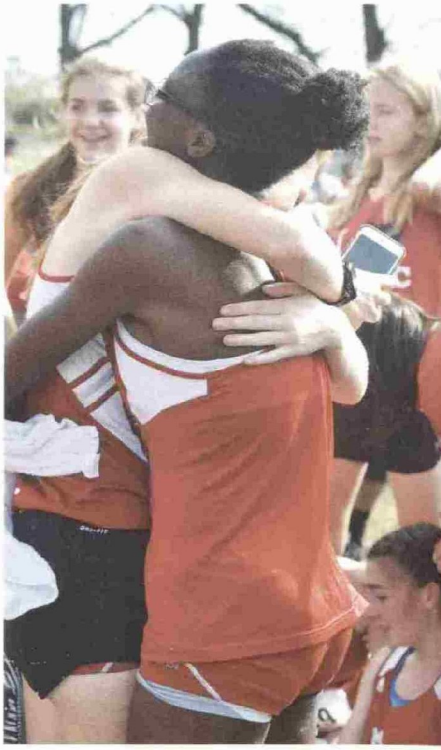
WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

Where is your favorite place to run?

- ☐ The Little Store — Katie Hemingway, 9
- ☐ Harrison — Brianna Pazdur, 10
- ☐ Beech — Olivia Eldert, 12
- ☐ Lansing — Carina Crisan, 10
- ☐ Hammond Trail — Erin Paskewicz, 11
- ☐ Backyard trails — Kaylee Galvan, 12
- ☐ Centennial — Faith Eriks, 11

Live To Run Getting ready to begin their race, Elise Garcia senior, and Brisa Bohling, junior, are doing practice runs. Both Brisa and Elise have been running on the team for three years. "It was about 10 minutes before the race started, we usually stretch out and get ready to run" Elise said. "I was really excited because it was a fast course." Photo by Robert Young

Hugging It Out Coming in for a hug, Annie Abioye, junior, hugs Faith Eriks, junior. Many different emotions are in the air as the race is finished. "I was very happy when we found out that we had won the sectional title," Annie said "It was one of our big goals for this season because LC had won sectionals for 14 years straight." Photo by Victoria Reardon



A Team Above All

Girls' Cross Country faces challenges but still finds ways to have fun through team bonding

Story by Catie Gilhooly

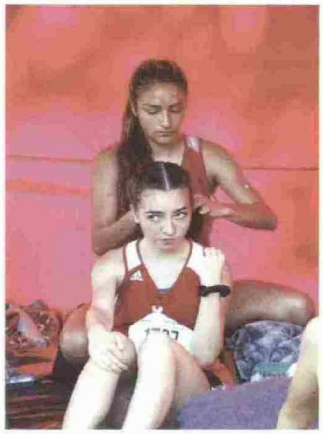
Running miles every day in midsummer heat, runners were bound to collect bumps and bruises along the way. With the support of their teammates, they always pushed through.

Emma Stevens, junior, found this true when a stress fracture in her leg put her out for the last few weeks of the season.

"The fact that I got to watch all of my friends and the girls I'd trained with for most of the conditioning and summer season really pushed me through," Emma said. "Each step I took towards a full recovery, having my friends there by my side to encourage me really helped me focus on getting better."

The team incorporated a spirit week where they dressed up at practice the week before Conference, and hosted combined pasta parties with the boys' team to get carbohydrates the night before meets. As a senior, Olivia Eldert recalls her favorite team traditions.

"The pasta parties were a fun way to get out of a school environment and eat food together while goofing around and having fun as a group," Eldert said. "It was a nice way to get everyone together before a meet."



Bond Together Braiding the hair of Moira Boyle, junior, before the race Kaylee Galvan, senior, is excited for her race. Braiding hair is something that Kaylee uses it as a way to focus before races. "You had to balance out everything before your race and make sure we're calm and ready," Kaylee said. Photo by HR Imaging

The long-continued tradition was the "big sis, middle sis, little sis" partnerships. One upperclassman would pick two teammates, usually underclassmen, to be "sisters" for the season. Sisters would typically hang out with each other outside of practices, give each other gifts before important races, and cheer each other on at races and meets. Kaylee Galvan, senior, contributed much of her connection with the team to this tradition.

"My freshman year I didn't know anyone on the team," Galvan said. "It was good to have that guidance from some of the older girls to expand and get to know each other better. It made a huge difference in how I ran and made me enjoy running more."

As Cross Country season blurred into Track's long-distance conditioning, the girls worked non-stop. Spending the time with their "sisters" helped to make it all worth it in the end.

"We were all able to talk about each other's days, and deep down we just knew that we had each other's backs," Galvan said. "That was how friends became as close as family over the season."

Lay of the Land

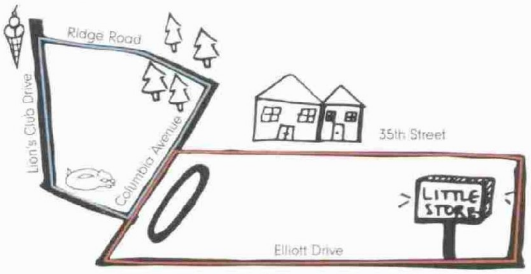
Runners map out two common warm-up routes, the Little Store Loop and Two Mile Loop

Little Store Loop (1 mile)

- Start on Columbia Ave.
- Straight down Elliott Dr.
- Turn left at the Little Store
- Turn right at 35th St.
- Left on Columbia Ave.

Two Mile Loop (2 miles)

- Start on Columbia Ave.
- Turn left into Bieker Woods
- Come out on Ridge Rd.
- Turn left into Dairy Queen
- Turn left at the pool
- Back at MHS football field



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Huddle Up Before a race, Mackenzie Leick, senior, and Brisa Bohling, junior, stand next to eachother before the race. Nerves running before the race, the team huddles up. "We either say a prayer, have a senior say a few words, or just chanted. We all participate in the group huddle." Mackenzie said. Photo by Robert Young

Finish Strong Running at Culver, Kaylee Galvan, senior, is emotional while finishing her race. Running at a meet, Kaylee was very happy to finish her race. "This race was really packed because we had to put two races together," Kaylee said. "The thing about Cross Country you knew that the girl next to you was going to be in just as much pain as you were." Photo by HR imaging

Big Finish Running through the pain, Mackenzie Leick, senior, pushes herself to finish line. Trying as hard as she ccould to finish the race Mackenzie went into a full sprint. "I was in a lot of pain because I had tendonitis in my ankle," Mackenzie said. "I was trying to push through the pain of my injury and finish the race."
Photo by Robert Young

One Team Walking back to the tent after the sectional meet, Brisa Bohling, junior, gets help from Olivia Eldert, senior, and Erin Gonzalez, junior. A hip injury made the walk back to the tent difficult. "Olivia Eldert and Erin Gonzalez were helping me walk back to the tent because it was really hard for me to walk on my badly injured hip." Brisa said. Photo by Victoria Reardon

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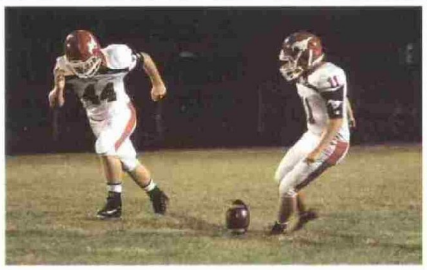
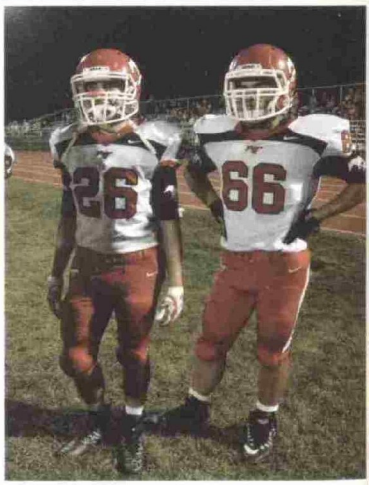
Game on Every Friday night is started with a kick off by Vince Ivetich (11), senior. Following not far behind was Michael Dywan (44), sophomore, insuring his kicker, Ivetich would not be offsides. "No matter what happened, I couldn't let the return man score," Ivetich said. "I had to get the ball down the field and do my job just like everyone else." Photo by Kess Vaitkus

Focus Focusing on the game, juniors Alejandro Arce (26) and James Kocal (66) discuss what the players on the team were doing. They watched from the sidelines waiting to be put into action. "Watching allowed you to learn from what the other players in the game were doing," Kocal said. Photo by Nicole Roberts





Hold Them up High Practicing an old football tradition, sophomore players Nicholas Eng (12) and Cole Lesinski (10), hold their helmets up over their heads for every kickoff. "It was a tradition we had always done," Lesinski said. Photo by Nicole Roberts

The lows and the highs

After an unpredictable season, the team shares their best highlights and their worst mistakes

The Best

"Losing to Morton on Homecoming didn't feel the best. They were good, but we still could have won but we didn't play our best."
Jonah Clark (68), junior

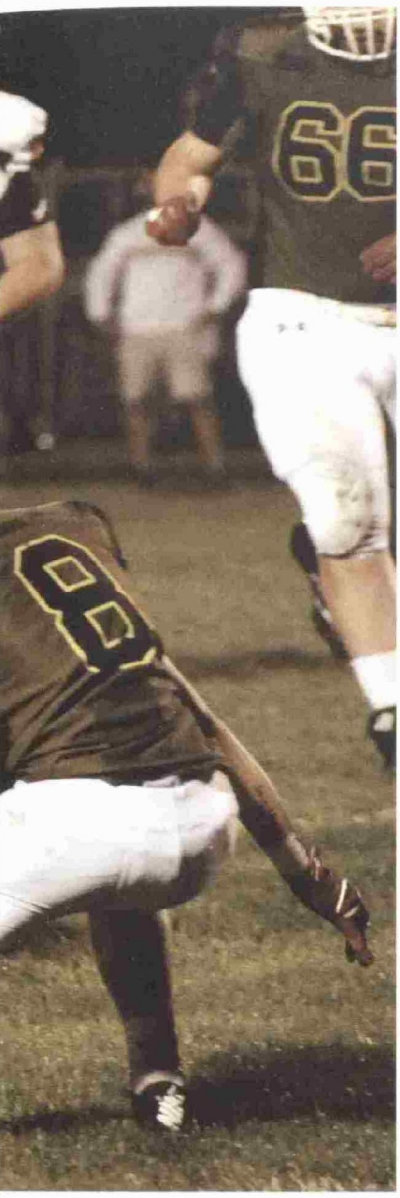
"At the end of the season, when we realized the seniors would never play with the underclassmen ever again and all the kids who were graduating would maybe never really play football again." Zach Eng (14), senior

"Beating Hobart with a Shutout. Every news article said we were going to lose, but we defied the odds. (Coach) Marsh just lost his sister so it was huge for him too."
Timothy Radtke (52), junior

The Worst

"Losing to Lake Central. You never liked to lose to a rival but especially them."
Will Melby (8), sophomore

"Starting against LC. I remembered growing up as a kid watching those games and actually playing that game made me feel good."
Kosta Fotopolous (43), sophomore



Lacing Together

While the players began as individuals, after a rocky season and a big win, the team stayed together Story by Micala Boyd

After a shutout against Hobart in a 0-7 win, the team walked off the field knowing they had reached a turning point in the season.

"We overcame a rough start," Will Melby (8), sophomore, said. "We ended up beating the number ten team in the region at Hobart in a big game."

The same week as the team's big defeat, the community had undergone an emotional week.

"The Hobart game was the week of (Ms.) Twila (Marsh)'s passing," Michael Dywan (44), sophomore, said. "We saw (Coach) Leroy (Marsh) and his wife and after the 7-0 win. We ran down and hugged him and his wife. That was probably the most emotional moment of the season."

After several consecutive losses the first half of the season, the Hobart game proved to be the turning point for the team setting up an unexpected winning streak.

"The first half of the season really didn't go as we wanted it," Dywan said. "Our team wasn't really as a team. We were kind of divided. We really gelled together after the second half of the season."

"I thought we were more as a team than the previous years I saw," Melby said. "We were really close knit and all pretty good friends."

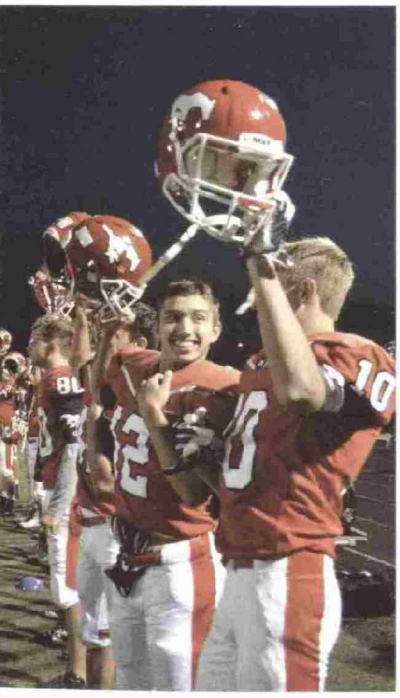
Because the team lost many games in the first half of the season, the Hobart win strengthened their confidence and revived their morale.

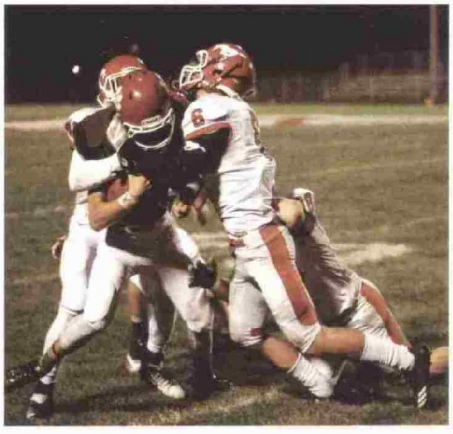
"We finished the season out pretty strong," Dywan said. "The highlight of year was just gelling together as a team. A little bit of it was doing it for Coach (Marsh). We played for him and each other."

The Hobart game turned out to be the most rewarding game of the season, according to Zach Eng (14), senior.

"When we played against Hobart and had a big win against them. We were able to play a good team and beat them after the game we were really rejoiceful," Eng said.

Keep Running On Friday night, Dylan Bullock (24), senior, runs with football in hand. He attempted to score a touchdown for his team. "All I could think of was, 'Don't stop, run harder.'" Photo by Kess Vaitkus





Game day Friday night football game start with the football team running onto the field. Noah Montoya (13), senior ran in front of the team with the U.S. flag in hand, accompanied by Andrew Rapata (69), senior. "I felt like I was making my country proud holding the stars and stripes," Montoya said. " I hoped that everything will be okay." Photo by Kess Vaitkus

Friday night Practice is what makes every Friday night football game perfect, according to Nicholas Eng (12), sophomore. Eng prepared to throw a practice pass to one of his teammates. "I was hoping we would have a good game and another win under our belts," Eng said. Photo by Kess Vaitkus

WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

What's your favorite professional football team?

- ☐ Chicago Bears — Timothy Radtke, 11
- ☐ Seattle Seahawks — Daniel Kruse, 10
- ☐ Minnesota Vikings — Jacob Fitch, 12
- ☐ Denver Broncos — Joshua Burgos-Diaz, 9
- ☐ Atlanta Falcons — Andrew Zachary, 12

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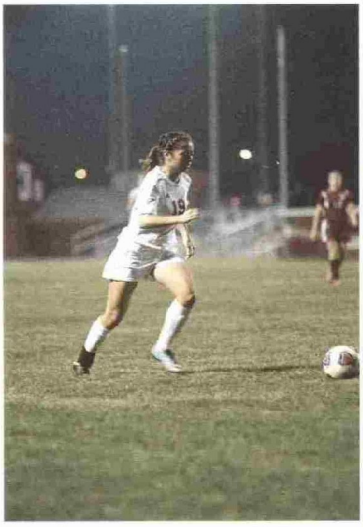
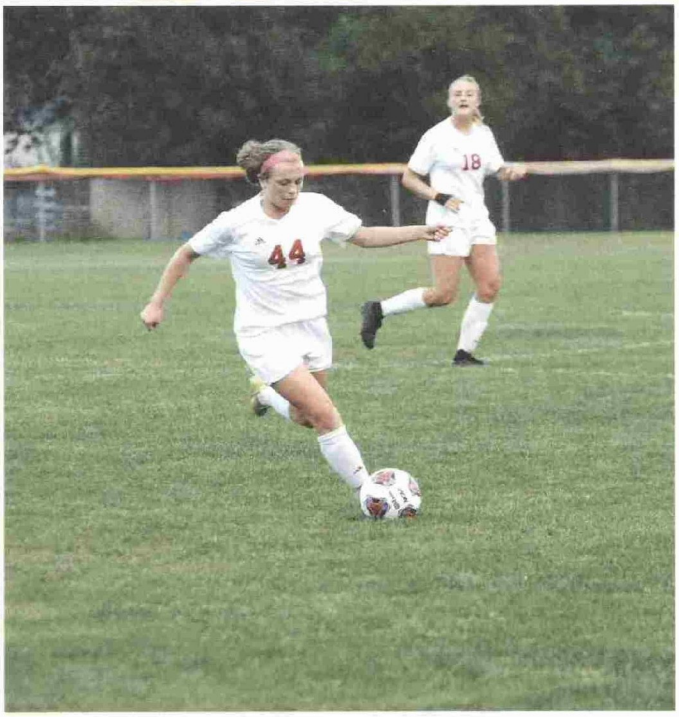
Football

Listen Up Huddling up in a circle, Alice Foley (14), freshman, along with her teammates listen to a speech given by Coach Valerie Pflum, math teacher, at half time. As a team they all knew they needed to continue to work hard throughout the game. "It was in the middle of the game so we were all excited but also serious," Foley said. Photo by Elizabeth Fonseca

Shoot Your Shot One foot forward, Carson Kekelik (44) , freshman, pushes herself to get kick the ball for her team. She enjoyed playing on the team with the other older girls."Sometime we're really excited," Kekelik said. "But sometimes there was a lot on the line and we are nervous." Photo by Kess Vaitkus

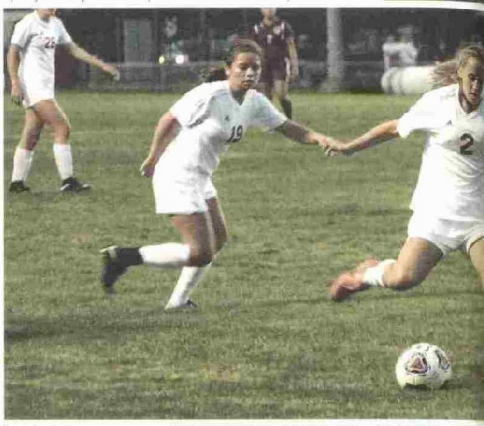


Equipped Focused on the ball, Abby Nita (19), senior, runs tirelessly toward the ball. She waited for a play to come to her and she took her chance. "We were the underdogs this year because we lost so many seniors last year, but we picked it up this season and I definitely got to see a lot more playing time," Nita said. Photo by Kess Vaitkus



Sideline Watching and cheering on her teammates, Maureen Van Matre, sophomore, shows her Munster spirit. Excited about how well her team is playing, Van Matre, clapped and got her team motivated. "It was an intense game, they were running down the field, next thing you knew they won the ball over and I was cheering on my teammates," Van Matre said. Photo by Elizabeth Fonseca

Fixated With her best food forward, Kendal Ziel (2), senior, is running to beat surrounding players. She passed the ball successfully to another Mustang who would eventually score. "I treated every game like it was my last. I always played my hardest," Ziel said. Photo by Kess Vaitkus



Just warming up

Before the game begins, the team got mentally and physically ready

Brazilians: practice touches on the ball with a partner

Passing drills: running and passing warms up players

Possession: two teams keep ball away from each other as much as possible

Practice shooting: warms up the keeper, gets team ready for the game

Source: Olivia Foley, senior

Leaders Leading the wolf pack, Olivia Foley (26), senior, and other seniors warm up before the game by running a lap around the field. The team started getting excited for the game and feeling the energy. "This was the point where we get excited because the music comes on, we were actually on the field, and the stands started filling up," Foley said. Photo by Kess Vaitkus

More than Sisters

Girls' Soccer team takes sisterhood term to a new level

Story by Catie Gilhooly

Teammates, friends, sisters. Whether related by blood or not, everyone had a sister on this team.

Both seniors Olivia Foley and Kendal Ziel shared the field with sisters, freshmen Alice Foley and Kayla Ziel. Olivia considered the experience helpful in bringing them together.

"It was different because there was always someone there that I could talk to about the games," Olivia said. "It was relaxing to be able to get in the car with her and talk about why we were frustrated or what we did well."

With a three year age difference between both sets of sisters, they were never able to play together. Kayla remembered how playing with her sister for her first varsity season made it even more memorable.

"It was a great experience, and she pushed me to play better," Kayla said. "After scoring my first goal on varsity, Kendal was the first one to give me a big hug."

The sisterhood did not stop there; the big sis little sis tradition allowed every senior and junior to pick a "little sister" on the team, helping to form bonds between upper and lowercase. Sisters were able to give each other gifts before games and support each other throughout the season. Jaycee Helmer, senior, found this tradition helpful, especially in her first year coming from a new school.

"My big sis showed me the ropes my first year, and becoming friends with her made me a lot more comfortable being on the team coming from a Catholic school," Jaycee said.

On Top Holding down her ground, Kayla Ziel (12), freshman, fights for the ball in a home game against Culver. She won the fight; however, she was whistled by the referee. "It was a 50/50 ball and I wanna say I won the ball but I fouled the girl," Ziel said. Photo by Kess Vaitkus

WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

Describe your team in one word.

- ☐ goofy — Juli Nelson, 10
- ☐ Family — Alaina Lany, 11
- ☐ Schwifty — Jaycee Helmer, 12
- ☐ Toonheads — Riley Portone, 11
- ☐ Hard-working — Kendal Ziel, 12
- ☐ Successful — Grace Helmer, 10
- ☐ Family — Anastasia Cipowski-Smith, 11
- ☐ Driven — Abby Nita, 12
- ☐ Passionate — Addy Andello, 11
- ☐ Savages — Brenna Dyrhaug, 11

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Girls' Soccer

Broken Streak

Boys' Soccer suffers major sectional loss for the first time in 15 years

Story by Kammy Moore

Breaking a 15 year sectional streak, the boys lost an intense game against Lake Central.

"It was heartbreaking," Sean Adams, junior, said. "I thought we'd go a lot further."

The team lost their sectional game with a score of 3-1 in overtime.

"[The game] was really intense," Adams said. "You didn't even have time to make a decision, it was all instinct."

"It was a lot of back and forth," Nate Kekelik, senior, said. "It was a fun game to play in and fun to watch but [Lake Central] just pulled through with it. It seemed like they wanted it more. We just were not in our normal Mustang spirit."

The loss was shocking to the team and their supporters. The team had only lost two games that season, and they expected to keep their sectional streak alive.

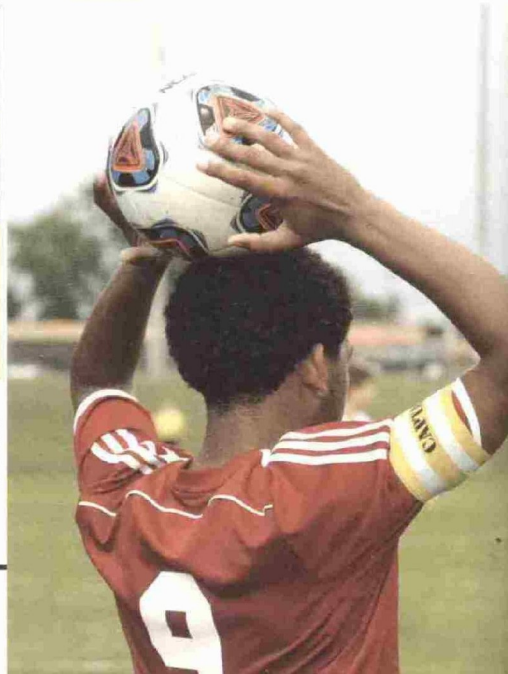
"We were projected to go undefeated," David Dafiaghor, junior, said. "I obviously cried about [losing]. It sucked. Our record was pretty good and we were number three in the state at the time, so it was just not our day to win."

Despite the loss, the team felt the rest of the season went well.

"As a whole season it was pretty good," Kekelik said. "We got ranked pretty highly so we did pretty well, but then we weren't able to pull it off in the postseason. The goal was just to make it as far as we could, and we tried to achieve it by taking it one game at a time. We won as a team and we lost as a team."

Roll Call Before the game, Elian Magana (6), senior, and David Dafiaghor (7), junior, join their team in the starting line up as their names are announced. Each player got excited in preparation for their game against Bishop Noll. "I was happy to play my first home game and to see all the people who came out," Magana said. Photo by Lauren Kozy

Down Low After a yellow card, Will Teske (13) , junior, joins the field with Micah Flahaven, senior. He played only a small portion of the game before subbing out again. "I was happy that I got in to play," Teske said. "It was one of the biggest games of the regular season." Photo by Kess Vaitkus



Tight Grip Above his head, Evan Dubose (9), senior, holds the ball to throw in from the sidelines. He played every game focused and determined. "When I played, I played one game at a time," Dubose said. Photo by Kess Vaitkus

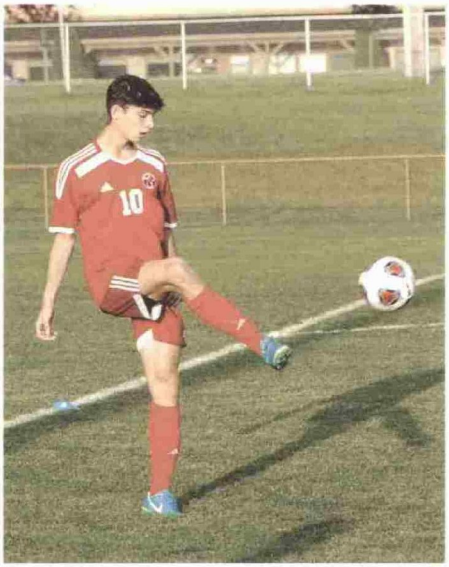
Game Day Checklist

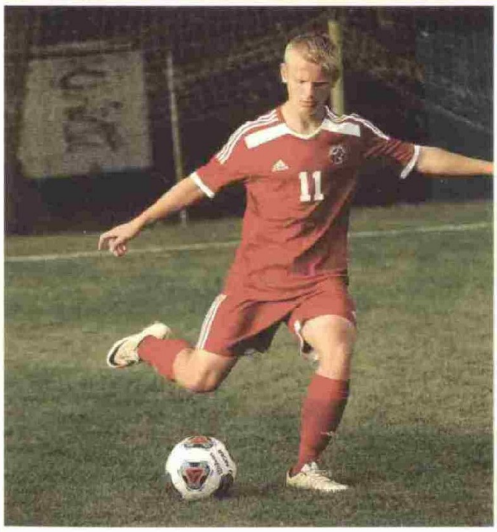
Adam Wisniewski, junior, lists necessities needed for game day

- ☑ both practice shirts
  "At the beginning of the game we would warm up and we never knew what color we were wearing so I brought all of them"
- ☑ shoes
- ☑ socks
- ☑ shin guards
- ☑ get everything on the bus
  "We had to make sure we got everything on the bus for away games because we had a huge problem with that. One time we forgot things and our coach yelled at us for forever."
- ☑ jerseys
- ☑ gatorade jugs
- ☑ soccer balls

Bro Hug On Lake Central turf, Sean Adams (19), junior, and Dylan Brann, junior, hug it out after playing a tough game. They put up a fight and ended with a win." Lake Central is the team to beat, we were happy that we won that game," Adams said. Photo by Kess Vaitkus

Back and Forth Passing the ball back to one of his teammates, Jordan Andric (10), senior, uses his dominant foot. The warm ups before the game prepared him for the battle to come. "I was trying to prepare myself for a very tough game against our rivals," Andric said. "We needed to beat them." Photo by Kess Vaitkus





Fight or Flight As he competes for the ball, Sean Adams (19), junior, plays against rivals Lake Central Mustangs pulled a win.. "I had an assist and the play that led to the penalty shot where we ultimately won," Adams said. Photo by Kess Vaitkus

Tunnel Vision Warming up before a game, Justin Lukowski (11), senior, kicks the ball in a practice drill. His performance before the game determined how the game would go. "I was trying to stay focused before the game but also have fun," Lukowski said. Photo by Kess Vaitkus

WHAT IS ON YOUR LIST?

Describe your team in one word.

- ☐ Brotherhood — Elian Magana, 12
- ☐ Familia — Reed Watkins, 12
- ☐ Sensational — Max Paredes, 11
- ☐ Flamboyant — Dylan Brann, 11
- ☐ Choked — Will Teske, 11
- ☐ Lost Streak — Kyle Snyder, 12

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Time to Rebuild

Girls' Golf seniors and coach share what it took to rebuild team after losing players

Story by Abbey Burris

The Girls' Golf team looked to rebuild their team and create a competitive atmosphere after losing players over the summer.

"Three of our good players had graduated, and we were looking to replace them," Coach Bill Smitka, social studies teacher, said. "We figured it would take a while."

This year, the team kept more girls than ever—a total of 17. Out of these, 11 lettered.

"This year we had a lot more girls than usual which was pretty exciting because golf didn't get a lot of appreciation," Captain Jenny Watterson, senior, said.

The expansion of the team provided new opportunities for seniors to step up.

"The seniors got used to a leadership position and showing the freshmen around and helping them out," Captain Haleigh Gronwald, senior, said. "It was nice getting close to new people on the team. It was important to be a model to freshmen who were beginning their golf careers."

The large influx of players prompted many driven practices.

"We had a competitive environment," Coach Smitka said. "We had a good environment where the girls strived to get better everyday."

With an overwhelming amount of underclassmen, they dominated the course.

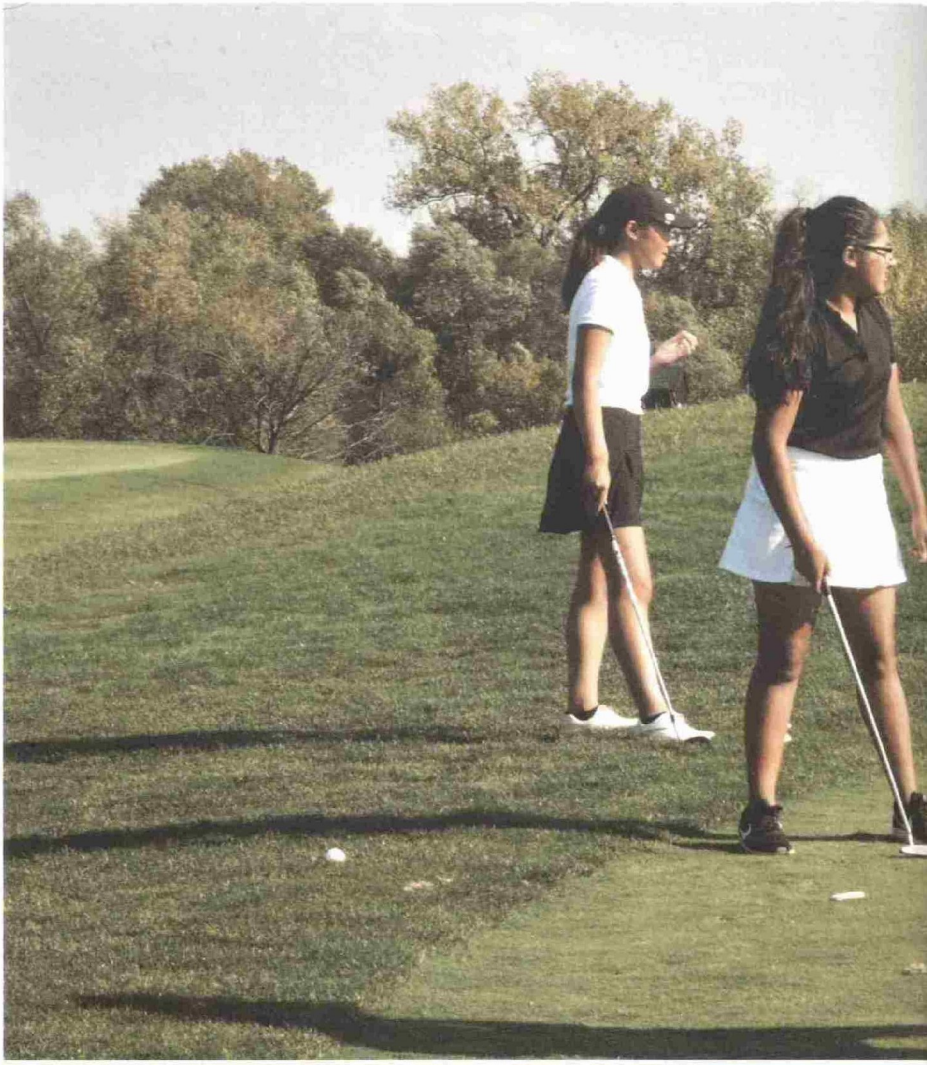
"It ended up that our Sectionals roster was all underclassmen, which was something you didn't hear a lot of," Watterson said.

Even with the new members, the team matched their win total from the previous year which was 11-3.

"It was exciting to have a bunch of new girls who were good at what they were doing," Watterson said.

The team ended up winning Conference with the newly assembled team.

"We rebuilt well because the girls who were freshmen and sophomores the year before and a couple of new girls who came to our program filled those roles tremendously well," Coach Smitka said.



Hole in One At practice, Grace Gozdecki, sophomore, likes to work on her chipping and putting. Her dad is her biggest fan and helps her practice on a handful of different things. "He was pretty critical of my game, but it helped me in the long run," Gozdecki said. Photo by Taylor Homans

Practive makes Perfect At Centennial Park, Euna Lee, sophomore, prepares for a big game with her fellow teammates. Being able to pick up skills quickly was one of her strengths. "I found it relieving during games when a difficult shot or putt came out and I had already practiced it," Lee said. Photo by Taylor Homans

Eye on the Prize On a Thursday practice, Euna Lee, sophomore, Ananya Sharma, freshman, and Grace Gozecki, sophomore, break a sweat at an important practice. After practice, Sharma felt very well prepared. "With Sectionals weeks away, nothing beat a good practice at Centennial with some of my closest teammates," Sharma said. Photo by Taylor Homans

Love for the Game During a practice before their big Valparaiso match, Ananya Sharma, freshman, enjoys working on her short game. She has been playing since seventh grade. "My sister started to play, and I always copied her," Sharma said. "I didn't know that I would end up loving it." Photo by Taylor Homans

WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

What is your favorite golf club?

- ☐ 7 Iron — Alex Rowady, 11
- ☐ 5 Wood — Grace Gozecki, 10
- ☐ Driver — Emma Ladd, 11
- ☐ 3 Wood — Euna Lee, 10
- ☐ 9 Iron — Parkyr Guiton, 9
- ☐ 56 Wedge — Jenny Watterson, 12
- ☐ Driver — Becky Jones, 9
- ☐ 7 Iron — Mirela Jeknic, 10
- ☐ 3 Wood — Gabie Ingolia, 12
- ☐ 5 Iron — Haleigh Gronwald, 12
- ☐ 4 Iron — Hannah Bard, 9

Hold on Tight While practicing a few swings, Haleigh Gronwold, senior, works on the weakest part of her game. Her favorite part of practice was participating in short game competitions with her teammates "I liked practicing putting, chipping and driving the most," Gronwald said. Photo by Taylor Homans

Coach Feedback During a practice Grace Gozdecki, sophomore, gets positive feedback from Coach Bill Smitka, social studies teacher, for working on her chipping and putting. Before a big match, nothing beat a good practice. "Golf was such a challenging yet rewarding game, and I enjoyed getting negative feedback to benefit my game," Gozdecki said. Photo by Taylor Homans

This Season's MVP

Voted MVP by teammates, Euna Lee, sophomore, shares what the experience means to her

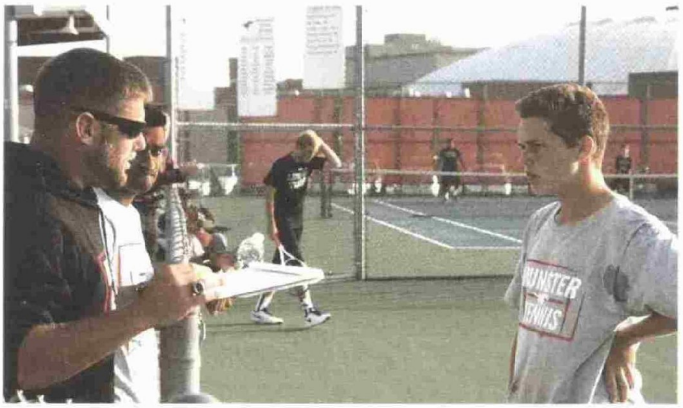
"To be voted into a position that somebody that I once looked up to was a part of was really meaningful to me because it felt like I was doing the right thing and following the right steps. I felt that all my hard work had paid off."
—Euna Lee, sophomore

Right Aim To practice her chipping, Euna Lee, sophomore, levels her shoulders. She found that this helped with her overall performance. "I realized during my games that it didn't work as well as I thought it did," Lee said. Photo by Taylor Homans

How to Not Get Served

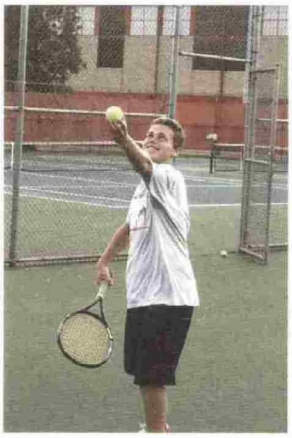
With a new coach, players adjusted to new leadership
Here are the top five pointers the coaches gave

1. Keep the ball in the middle of the court
2. Relax and Loosen Up
3. Keep Hustling
4. Get a high percentage of your first serves
5. Hit the ball confidently



Change Over Dur After losing a match against Lowell, Joe Webster, sophomore, speaks to his coaches about his strategy for the next match. Coach Patrick Sphor used pen and paper on his clipboard to draw specific strategies. "(Coach) Sphor had his clipboard out where he would draw all over the place," Webster said. "He explains the strategies like where I should hit the ball. It helped."
Photo by Easan Venkat

Source: Joe Webster, sophomore



Ready to Reload While watching his team play, Ben Dodge, sophomore hopes his fellow teammates pull a win for the team while representing this year's team motto on his back. In previous years, the team had a saying to represent their goals for the year. "We lost a lot of seniors this year so we're 'loading up with new players,'" Dodge said.
Photo by Easan Venkat

Eye on the Ball Focusing in on the ball, Joe Webster, sophomore, gets ready to serve. Webster lost the match against Lowell. "Coach (Patrick) Spohr yelled at me after this," Webster, junior, said. "But (Coach) Kalen (Harish) always had something motivational to say.
Photo by Easan Venkat

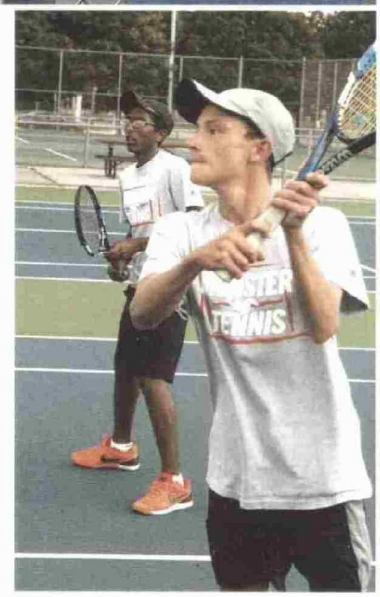
Now and Then

Former MHS tennis player, Coach Kalen Harish, takes the assistant coach position, players appreciate his experience

"I thought (he) helped just because he was there before he was in the situations before which helped him to help us."
-Zack Schmidt, junior

"I thought it was really cool because He told us that at one point he was last on the team and he ended up getting first all state I thought it was really cool thing to have his experience through the program."
-Peyton Speck, freshmen

Coach Power Up During a practice match, assistant coach Kalen Harish, prepares to hit an incoming ball. Photo by Easan Venkat

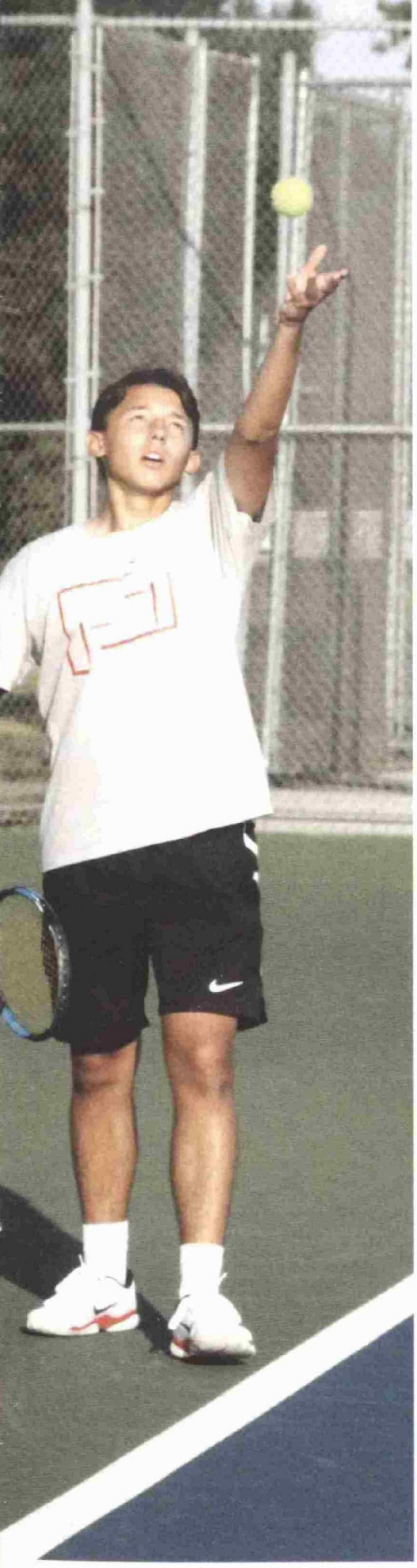


Servin' It Up Concentrating on the ball, DJ Fesko, Sophomore, focuses on scoring the winning point. During this, many thoughts went through his head. "I was really focused on not missing and trying to end the point quickly," Fesko said. Photo by Easan Venkat

WHAT 'S ON YOUR LIST?

In one word what do you love about tennis?

- ☐ Competition — Joe Webster, 10
- ☐ Drive — Conner Meyer, 12
- ☐ Clout — Max Ladd, 9
- ☐ Commitment — Kathir Venkat, 10
- ☐ Winning — Peyton Specht, 9
- ☐ Competitive — Sheryas Iyer, 11
- ☐ Enjoyable — Ron Panigrahi, 10



The New Coaches on the Court

Starting the season with new head and assistant coaches, players adjust to new leadership roles Story by Micala Boyd

With nearly all the seniors from last year's team graduated and a new set of coaches were put in charge, the underclassmen worked harder than ever to make up the difference, according to the singular senior on the team, Jonathan Harris.

"We were so young this year," Harris, said. "We were able to achieve the same thing we did will all seniors and juniors that we did will an all underclassmen team."

While the results were close the previous year, which had a senior heavy team, it didn't come with ease, according to Harris.

"The team was able to achieve this through the obvious things like hard work and determination, but also these kids were playing year round," Harris said.

Because the underclassmen knew the senior would be graduating, their summers provided time to prepare for the upcoming season. Many trained all summer knowing they would have to step it up after losing the seniors.

Also, the team had new coaches. The former assistant coach, Patrick Spohr, P.E. teacher, became head coach, and former MHS player, Kalen Harish, became the new assistant.

"I really liked Coach Spohr," Specht said. "I thought he did a really great job since last year there was a lot of seniors on varsity that graduated. He really picked up the program and did a good job putting it back in place and getting us the title of best in the region."

Former head Coach Steve Lopez, social studies teacher, was in charge of the team for several years before suffering an injury.

"(Coach Spohr) was our assistant (coach) before so everyone knew who he was and It was a pretty easy transition," co-captian Zach Schmidt, junior, said. "It was a little different. Coach Lopez was really intense so it was a little more relaxed."

With new leadership and a significantly less amount of upperclassmen participation, the team when through a transitional year; however, the younger players planned ahead for the future.

"(I gained) experience," Speck said. "I could pass that experience on to new coming freshmen."

Serving to Start As the anticipation hits him, Frank Wolf, junior, watches his partner sign behind his back as to where to serve the ball. After he thought through what he had to do, he successfully completed the serve and scored a goal. "When you're playing doubles, your partner gives you signs so I was focused on where I had to serve the ball," Frank Wolf, junior, said. Photo by Easan Venkat

Critiques with Coaches Soon after their game, juniors Zach Schmidt and Frank Wolf listen to their coaches' critiques. After every game, the players discussed what they did wrong and right with their coaches to better themselves for the next game. "We were getting coached on what we needed to do better," Wolf said. Photo by Easan Venkat

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Junior Olympian

Madison Horin, junior, shares parts of her experience as the captain of the U.S. National Volleyball Team

Legendary Leader The jerseys from the U.S National Volleyball Team, worn by Madison Horin, junior, are colored red, white, and blue. The bar on the jerseys indicated she was the captain of the team. "Finally getting recognized for being a leader felt amazing," Horin said.
Photo by Sydney Pastor

Q What was the process for making the team?

A "I made that team of 20 girls from all across the country. We got sent to Colorado Springs at the end of July, and then we went through another tryout and brought it down to twelve girls who went to Brazil and Argentina."

Q How did it feel having someone across the net that didn't even speak your language?

A "It was a different volleyball. They played different, they hit quicker and they hit different shots, they were jumping higher, things like that. A lot of these teams weren't playing to go to college, they were playing to get their pro contract."

Q What was the experience like?

A "I felt that playing with such high level athletes and playing against Japan, Russia, Mexico, and Italy just showed me that I didn't give myself enough credit for what I actually could do. It was definitely a learning experience too."

A New Family

Volleyball team adjusts to a new coach and staff Story by Kammy Moore

A new culture was the main goal for the volleyball team this season. With the presence of a new Coach, Brett Boden, and staff, the team did their best to become a family.

"It was hard adjusting at first, but I thought the transition was pretty good," Laila Wallace, sophomore, said. "He showed us how to win and not how to lose. He showed us how to play competitively at all times and how to leave your all on the court no matter what happens. I thought overall he made a big impact on our team and you could tell just by the way we play and the way we carried ourselves."

The girls did their best to work together and build a stronger bond between them.

"We did volleyball families where a varsity girl was like a mom and you had a sister and a daughter," Wallace said. "It was like you had somebody there for you at all times."

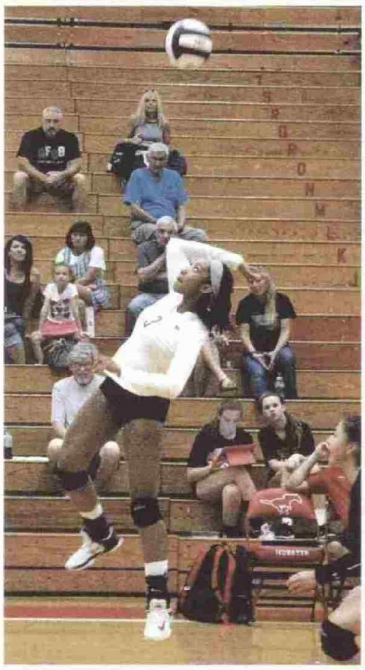
This, along with new ways of practicing, helped accomplish becoming closer and establishing a new culture.

"All the girls from freshman through varsity bonded a lot this year," Hazel Wolf, sophomore, said. "We worked as one program rather than three individual teams."

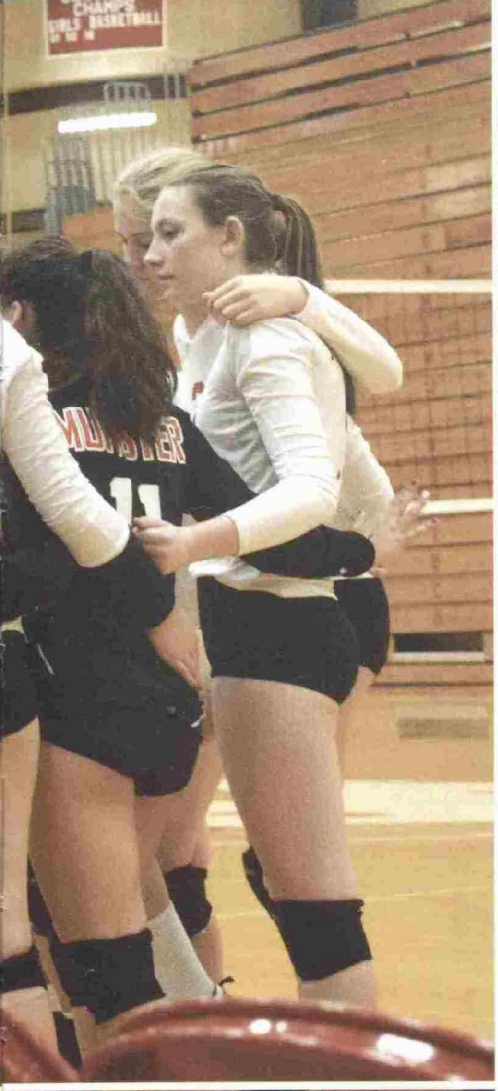
Unlike years previous, the varsity, JV and freshman teams spent more time together, which also strengthened their team.

"We came together as a family more with the way we practiced," Wallace said. "This year we did more competitive things with everybody. We did little drills together, we cheered each other on, and made sure we were there for each other at all times. It was like one big family and one big community."

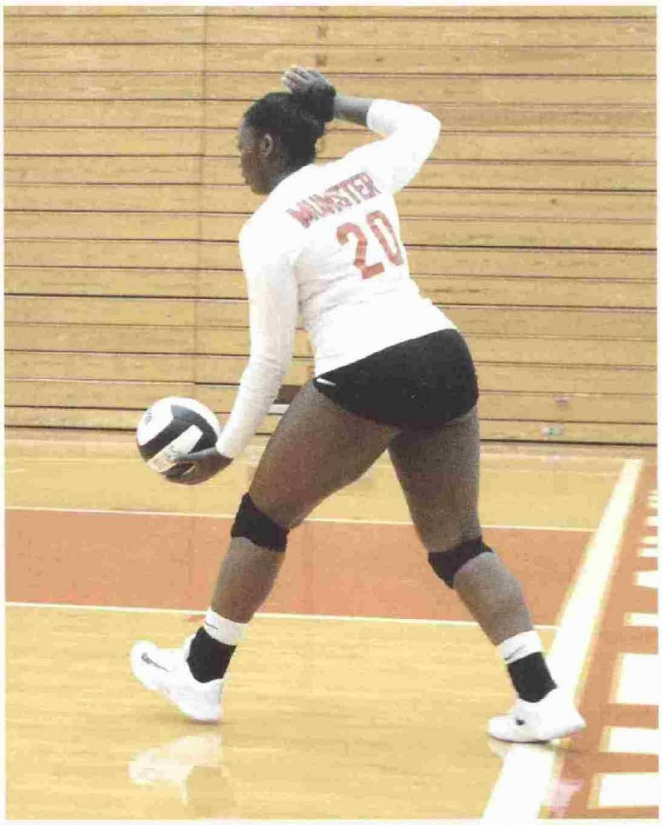
Circle Up During a game, Jordyn Warner (20), junior, Karina Monjaras (11), senior, Hazel Wolf, sophomore, and their team huddle together. The team continued to grow closer throughout the season. "When we all came in together it helped remind me that we all had each other's back," Wolf said. Photo by Megan Szysmanski



Reaching New Heights In the middle of the court, Laila Wallace (3), sophomore, slams the ball over the net. Wallace was one of the key players in middle. "(When I got a kill) it felt like everything in that moment stopped, like that was the only thing that mattered in the world," Wallace said. Photo by HR Imaging



In the Zone Standing on the end line, Jordyn Warner (20), junior, gets ready to serve the ball. Throughout the season, the girls were trained on zone serving when a server tries to serve to a weak spot on the other side of the net. "I usually concentrated on where I was supposed to serve," Warner said. Photo by Elizabeth Fonseca



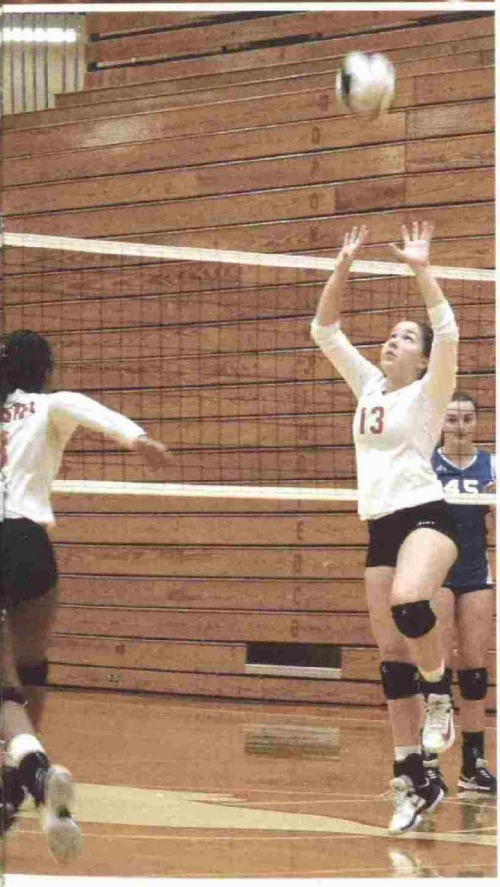
WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

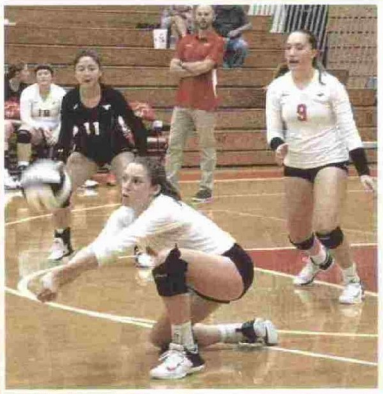
What play is your favorite?

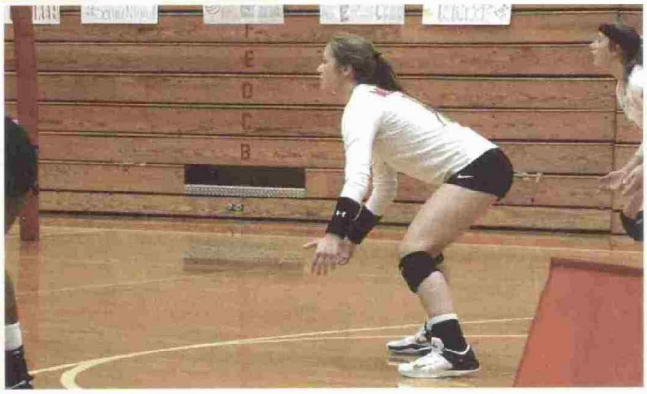
- ☐ Spike — Imani Kemp, 10
- ☐ Dig — Emme Poulston, 10
- ☐ Set — Faith Blair, 10
- ☐ Tip — Hannah Foster, 10
- ☐ Hitting — Jordyn Warner, 11
- ☐ Block — Emilee Eggebrecht, 11

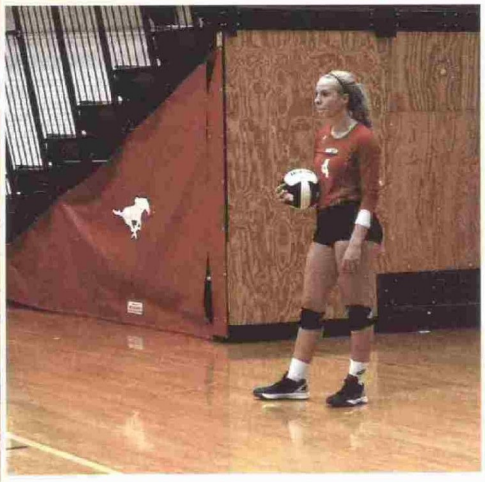
Serve Receive Queen Watching the opponent serve the ball, Faith Blair, sophomore, gets ready to make a perfect pass to start the play off right. Faith was one of the main passers and was counted on often to make great passes. "My mind-set is I was gonna get a good pass," Blair said, "I was going to better the ball so my teammates could put away the ball and we could get the point." Photo by Megan Szysmanski

Passing The Opponents Making a play-saving pass, Hannah Foster, sophomore, executes nearly perfect form while teammates Lulu Torres (9), Freshmen, and Karina Monjaras (11), senior, watch. Waiting for the opponents to just get the ball over the net during a play can be very daunting at times. "It's kind of nerve wracking because I don't know if the ball is going to come to me," Foster said, "if it does I'm prepared to get a good pass." Photo by HR Imaging









Focus Forward Concentrating on the next play, Emilee Eggebrecht (4), junior, prepares to serve the ball. The team focused on sharpening skills and getting consistent serves. "I was thinking that I have to make my serve over the net or else I would had gotten yelled at by coach," Eggebrecht said. Photo by Sydney Pastor

Setting For Success During a match against Highland, Lilly Lemke (13), sophomore, sets the ball up. She revealed that for her, setting can be nerve-wracking and a lot of pressure. "I was probably thinking 'don't mess up'." Lemke said. Photo by Megan Szysmanski

WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

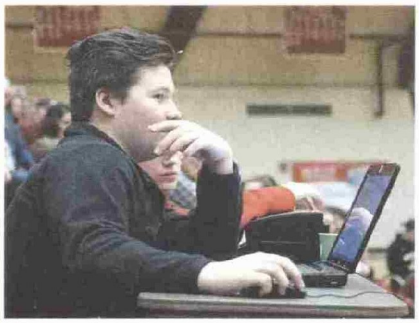
What's your favorite play to run?

- ☐ Indiana — Josh Davis, 10
- ☐ Four Corners — Nick Fies, 11
- ☐ Arizona — Eric Jerge, 11
- ☐ Boston — Tyler Zabrecky, 11
- ☐ Michigan — Greg Charles, 11
- ☐ Double — Josh Batur, 10
- ☐ Chattanooga — Keith Kaszycki, 9
- ☐ Mocs — Preston Powe, 9
- ☐ Out of Bounce #5 — Blake Stepanovich, 11

Manage the Court

Mitch Switalla, senior, makes his list of duties to manage the Boys' Basketball team

- attend all J.V. and Varsity games
- Record stats of the game
- Keep score at practice during drills — run clock
- manage equipment
- print stats at halftime and after game

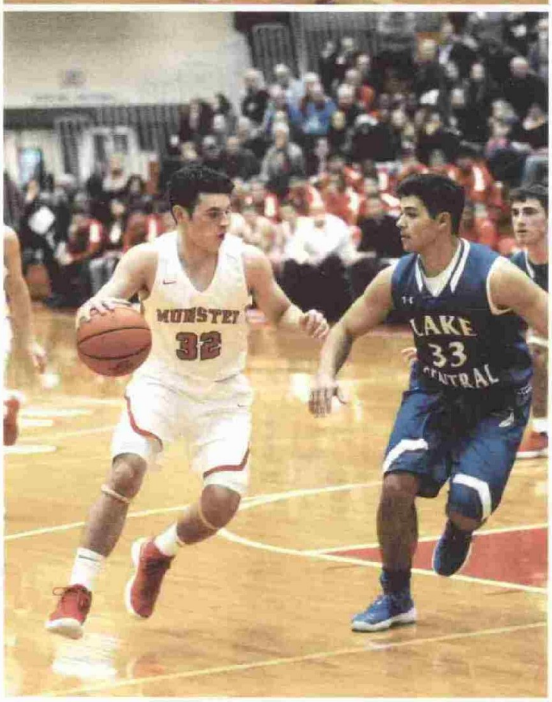


Eyes Locked Recording the stats of the game, Mitch Switalla, senior, watches the plays and fouls from behind his laptop. Varsity Coach Mike Hackett recruited Switalla freshman year and he continued to be the manager all four years. "I got an email from Coach Mike Hackett himself, I accepted, and he pulled me," Switalla said. "And here I am four years later." Photo by Victoria Reardon

Flying High Going up for a lay up, Tommy Maloney (23), senior, tries to score in a game against East Chicago. Unfortunately the team lost but they kept a positive mind-set and played their best. "We obviously came up short in this game," Maloney said, "But our main focus this season was to win." Photo by Kess Vaitkus

Dribble In Looking at the clock, Eric Jerge (3), junior, makes his way down the court. Time was running out and it was almost the end of the quarter "Normally, when the time was going down we would try to hold for the last shot," Jerge said. Photo by Kess Vaitkus

Push Through Driving the ball up the court, Josh Davis (11), sophomore, takes the ball to the basket to try to score. The team won the close game with a score of 58-54. "This was a big game against Lake Central," Davis said, "I just wanted to score to help my team win." Photo by Kess Vaitkus



Zoned In After receiving a pass, Nick Fies, (32) junior, tries to take the ball to score. The game was against long time rivals against Lake Central and the team ultimately pulled a win. "Munster vs. Lake Central was always a big game," Fies said, "It was always fun to play when the stands were packed." Photo by Kess Vaitkus

A Winning Chance

Boys' Basketball defeat their rivals Merrillville in major game

Story by Kammy Moore

The team pulled through against major rivals during the season, beating Merrillville when they were ranked number one in Northwest Indiana.

"Everybody thought that (Merrillville) was going to beat us," Luka Balac, freshman, said. "We showed that we could beat anybody in the area."

Munster won 67-61 in their game against Merrillville, moving them up in the rankings.

"They were number one and we were unranked at the time," Tyler Zabrecky, junior, said. "We didn't pay attention to the rankings though because we knew we could beat anyone around here."

The team worked hard to improve, and focused on defence and rebounding skills.

"Beating our rivals showed all our hard work had paid off," Eric Jerge, junior, said.

Every game brought them closer to the chance to achieve their main goals.

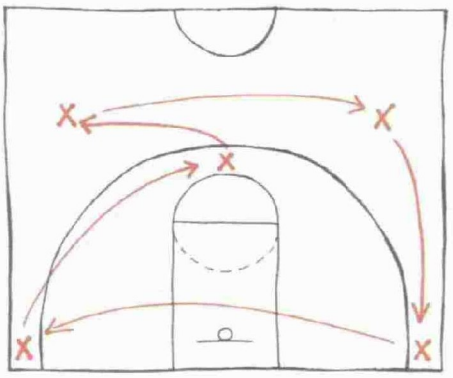
"Our main two goals were to win conference and to win sectionals," Zabrecky said.

The boys beat Lowell 56-49, but ultimately lost 47-50 to a buzzer beater made by Lake Central during their sectional game

High Jump Shooting a lay up, Jevon Morris, (10) junior, makes a basket for his team. This basket benefited their lead against Lake Central, and a big crowd showed up to cheer the team on. "The atmosphere was amazing," Morris said, "When it was heated, that was when it was crunch time."
Photo by Kess Vaitkus

Making Plays

Nick Fies, junior, draws out the play Four Corners, where the players stall by passing the ball to the four different corners of the court



WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

What's your favorite play to run?

- ☐ boiler — Jaycee Helmer, 12
- ☐ Flash — Emme Poulston, 10
- ☐ Panther — Grace Helmer, 10
- ☐ Flash — Mikayla Collins, 10
- ☐ Pinch — Delaney McGinty, 10
- ☐ Marquette — Maddy Lakomek, 11
- ☐ Home Run — Isabelle Bednarowski, 11
- ☐ Puerto Rico — Janica van Ghunt, 11
- ☐ Dribble Drive — Taneigh Boyd, 12
- ☐ Flex — Stephanie Cipowski-Smith, 10
- ☐ Panther — Ella McComis, 11
- ☐ Flash — Emily Zabrecky, 10
- ☐ Mustang — Jordan Duff, 9

Slam Dunk

Girls' Basketball works on improving their skills and rebuilding the program

Story by Kammy Moore

Ending with a record of 17-7, the girls made this their best season yet.

"We ended with a really good record," Maddy Lakomek, junior, said. "Overall, we played really well. It was our best season in a lot of years."

The girls won many important games.

"So many things happened that we didn't expect to happen," Mikayla Collins, junior, said. "We played so much better than we ever thought we would, and we beat West Side and Bishop Noll, which were teams we never thought we would be able to beat."

The game against West Side ended 43-42, with a buzzer beater shot by Izzy Bednarowski, junior.

"We ended up winning by one and we had never beat West Side before so it was the biggest deal ever," Collins said.

The girls met their goals of improving the team and getting more support.

"We wanted to have a season where you win more games than you lose, and we accomplished that," Lakomek said. "The whole season we were trying to make people actually want to come out for the team, and I thought we accomplished that too."

The team improved and became a lot closer over the season.

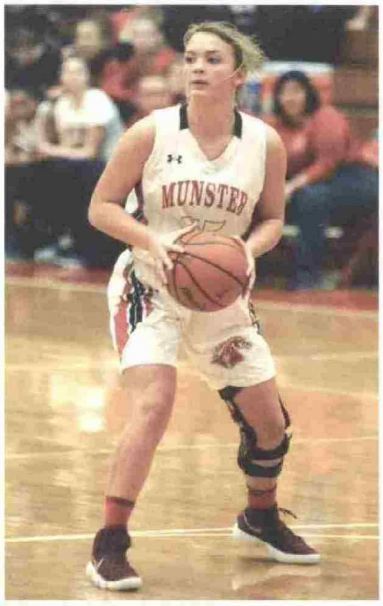
"The season was a lot better because we were actually good and our team got a lot closer," Collins said. "Even though it didn't show in Sectionals, I still thought we played better than we ever had."

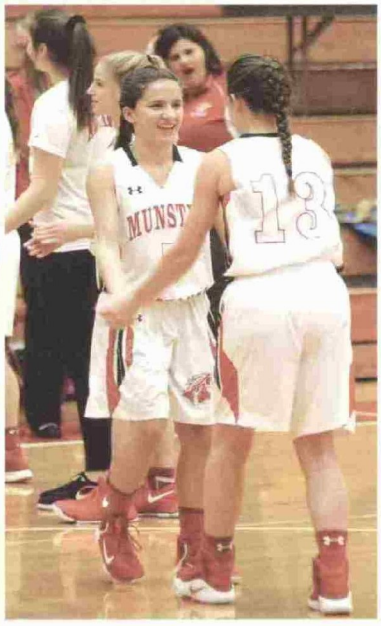
Money Ball Scanning the court, Izzy Bednarowski (11), junior, looks for an open shot as coach Ms. Brianne Rubesha, science teacher, watches. This season, Bednarowski broke two school records for the girls' basketball team. "I always tried to stay positive even when we were down," Bednarowski said. Photo by Kess Vaitkus

Lead Off Taking the ball around the defender, Jaycee Helmer (10), senior, tries to maintain the team's lead against Andrean. The team won 47-29. "That was one of the first games that we had a chance to prove ourselves," Helmer said. Photo by Kess Vaitkus

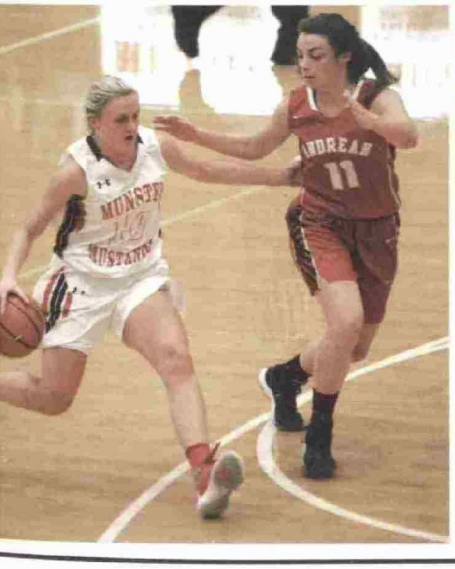
Heads Up Ready to shoot, Kayla Ziel (12), freshman, aims for the basket. She played aggressively in order to get around the defender. "There were a lot of positive emotions because we all worked together to try our best," Ziel said. Photo by Kess Vaitkus

Back and Better Looking around to pass the ball, Grace Helmer, sophomore, plays positon five after tearing her ACL last year. The team had a good season with the record 17-7. "I tore my ACL second practice of my freshman year," Helmer said, "but my favorite part was the reason why I played." Photo by Kess Vaitkus





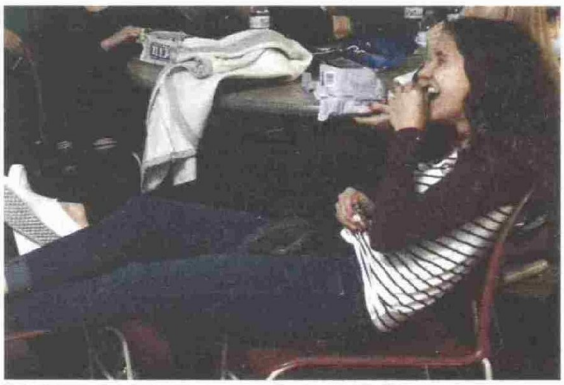
Open Shot Dribbling down court, Aleena Mongerie (35), freshman, looks for an open shot. As a freshmen on varsity, it could be stressful playing against Hammond. "Most of the time I felt nervous when I thought about the game, but when I started playing everything would calm and I had a lot of fun," Mongerie said. Photo by Kess Vaitkus

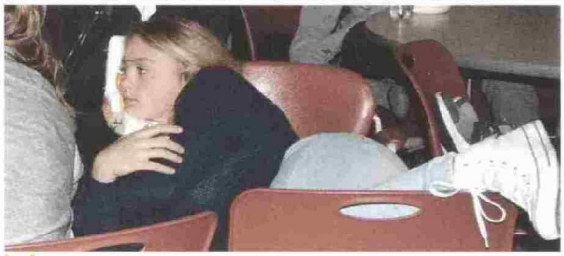


Hands In Holding hands, juniors Maddy Lakomek and Mikayla Collins (13) complete their handshake. The team would pump each other up before every game. "We have this huge speaker in the locker room, so we just listen to music and dance around," Lakomek said. Photo by Kess Vaitkus

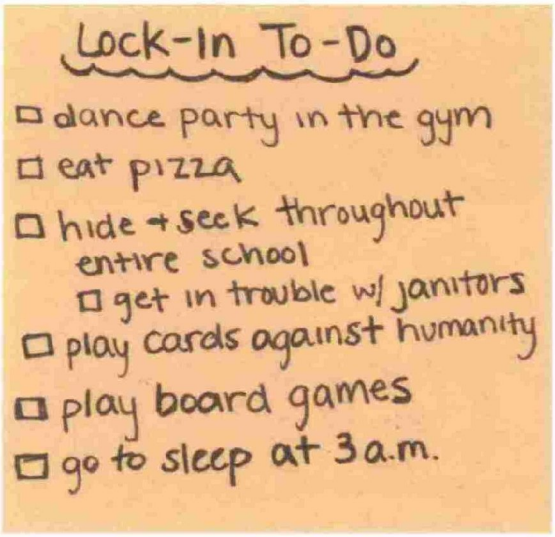
More Than Just A Team

The girls bonds over watching "Hoosiers" in the resource room and an overnight lock-in





Movie Night Lounging in the resource room, Maddy Lakomek, junior, and Gracie Helmer, sophomore, watch a movie with their team early in the season. The girls used it as a time to bond and get to know everyone on the team better. "It was a way to get the whole team close and just have a fun night together," Lakomek said. Photos by Elizabeth Fonseca



Shattered Records

Izzy Bednarowski, junior, breaks two school records during a single season

Record Broken:
most three-pointers in a career

New Record:
88 three-pointers

Original Record:
79 three-pointers (set in 2002)

Record Broken:
single season three-point record

New Record:
50 three-pointers

Original Record:
38 three-pointers (set in 1993)

Loud and Proud

Varsity Cheerleaders finish the season in ninth place at State preliminary competition

Story by Catie Gilhooly

They smiled and stunted on the sidelines during basketball and football season, but from May to November, the Varsity Cheerleaders put hours into their own two minute and thirty second competition routine.

"The routine was different from what people saw at the games," Thalia Chioros, senior, said. "It involved a lot of skilled stunts and tumbling. It was so much more than just showing school spirit."

Beginning in May with a choreography camp, the competition team practiced non-stop throughout the summer and fall seasons.

"During the competition season, we were practicing three or four times a week for three hours each, including the mornings before football games," Katie Dedelow, senior, said.

The long hours paid off when the team placed first at all of their first competitions of the season.

"When you worked so hard and put that much time and effort into something, there was a lot of nervousness when you saw the other teams and there was a lot of uncertainty," Vanessa Koultourides, junior, said. "But it was a huge relief when we won in the end."

However, at the State preliminary competition, they finished in ninth place, only a few points away from qualifying for the state level.

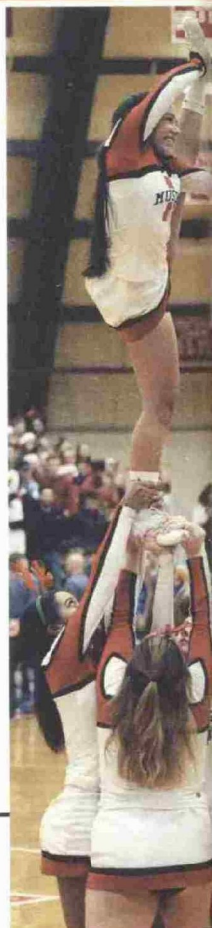
"Getting ninth was a big improvement from last year's place of thirteenth, but it was still heartbreaking to be one place away from State by just a few points," Chioros said.

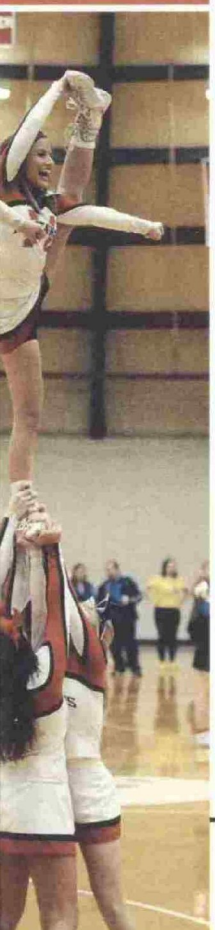
Even though they didn't qualify for State this year, the team was looking forward to their next season with more challenging new skills and stunts.

"I kept thinking, 'Next year, we will do it, we will make it to State,'" Koultourides said. "We knew the things we had to do to push ourselves and get to that next level."

Bring It On Beside the other senior cheerleaders, Katie Dedelow, senior, cheers on Boys' Basketball. With hours of practice each week, the cheer team had only gotten better each year. Not only would she miss cheering for the school, but would miss her friends she had made along the way, Dedelow said. "This season had taught me that hard work pays off," Dedelow said. Photo by Megan Wolski

All Eyes on Us Cheering on the Varsity Boys' Basketball team during the Highland game, Megan Flynn, freshman, stunts after the first quarter. Having her friends in the stands only made Megan more excited to be on the court. "I felt really excited because we were winning and I was hoping we would get a victory against Highland," Flynn said. Photo by Elizabeth Fonseca





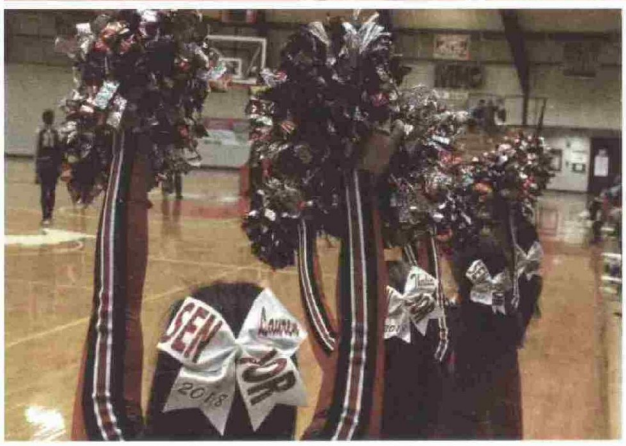
High Flying Thrills and Skills

Three flyers share their favorite things about their role in a stunt group

"I loved the feeling of being thrown in the air but knowing there were people there to catch you every time."
— Beth Calgaro, sophomore

"I loved the thrill of really nailing and solidly hitting a stunt and thinking, 'I just did that.'"
— Vanessa Koultourides, junior

"We got a lot of the credit, even though it was really the bases that did all the work."
—Thalia Chioros, senior



Pep in Their Step While on the sidelines during the Turnabout pep rally, seniors Vanessa Pascual and Lauren Stofko, and junior Katelyn Sarmiento, talk about decorations they needed to put up for the dance. The cheerleaders sponsored the dance every year. "I loved cheering for our grades while they were doing the races," Pascual said. Photo by Emily Mudroncik

Final Cheers Raising her poms, Lauren Stofko, senior, wishes good luck to the boys shooting a free throw. The cheerleaders traveled with the Boys' Basketball teams to every competition, home and away. "It didn't feel like I was a senior and my time cheering was coming to an end," Stofko said. Photo by Megan Wolski

WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

What's your favorite stunt?

- ☐ one MAN — Katie Dedelow, 12
- ☐ Full ups — Meli Chioros, 10
- ☐ Low to highs — Lindsey Kataltnic, 10
- ☐ The toss — Zaria Ellis, 11
- ☐ Full ups — Bailey Broelmann, 11
- ☐ Switch ups — Beth Calgaro, 10
- ☐ Shoulder sits — Brooke Gardiner, 10

Bow-tiful

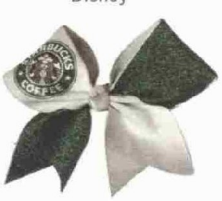
After twelve years of cheering with various teams, Bailey Broelmann, junior, shares some of her favorite bows from her collection

Photos by Taylor Homans

Dunkin' Donuts

The Little Mermaid

Disney



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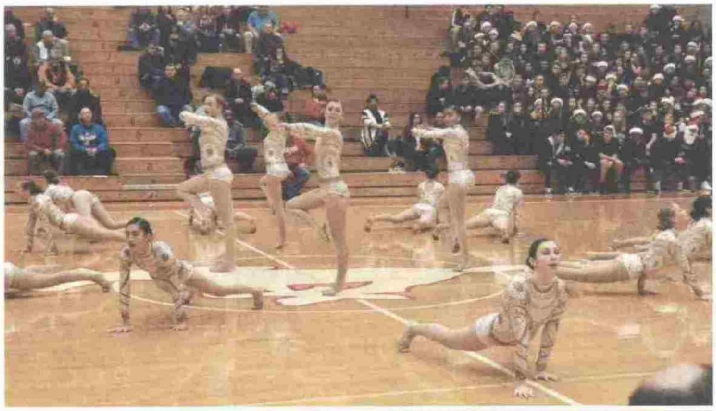
Stealing the Show

Dance hosts and showcases their routines at the Munster Dance Invitational on Dec. 9



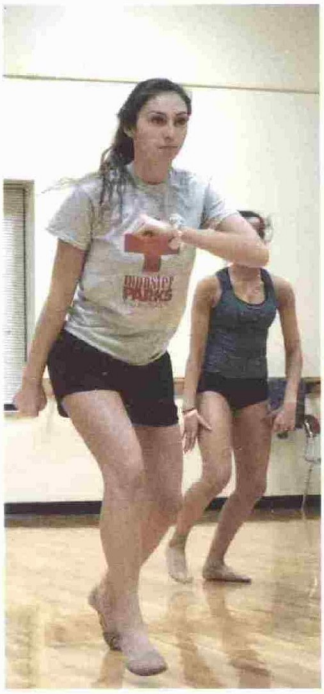
Solo Time At the Munster Dance Invitational, Stephanie Niemiec, sophomore, performs her solo. This was her second time doing a solo. "It was a very emotional song," Niemiec said. "It was about letting someone that you care about know how much they meant to you." **Flowing Emotions** Dancing to "Muddy Waters," Monica Fronczek, junior, Abbey Ruckert, sophomore, Savanah Sharpe, junior, Reem Alsakaji, senior, and Jill Cuvala and Alexandra Vjestica, juniors, give an emotional performance. The team portrayed the idea that life could be a struggle, but if you worked hard you could get through it. "At this point, we were almost out of the muddy waters, but we were still striving to make it there," Sharpe said. **Be Fierce** While performing a jazz routine, Jamie Dejoan and Layna Kounelis, sophomores, Alina Arzumanian, junior, Reem Alsakaji, senior, and Bella Buono, junior, prepare to turn. The dance required strong movements and a lot of emotion. "I just felt strong, and I had to be super intense," Arzumanian said.

Photos by Emily Mudroncik and Nicole Roberts

Practice like a Champion

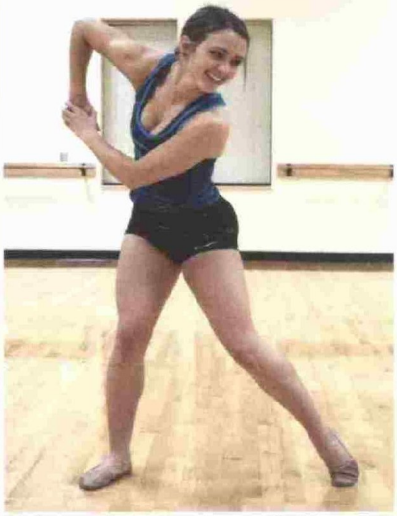
The Dance team practices hard year-round to prepare for competitions and performances

"When I was dancing, I felt it was a way to express my emotions and to be able to experience it with the people I most loved. It had allowed me to form bonds with people who I might not have been close with." —Jill Cuvala, junior

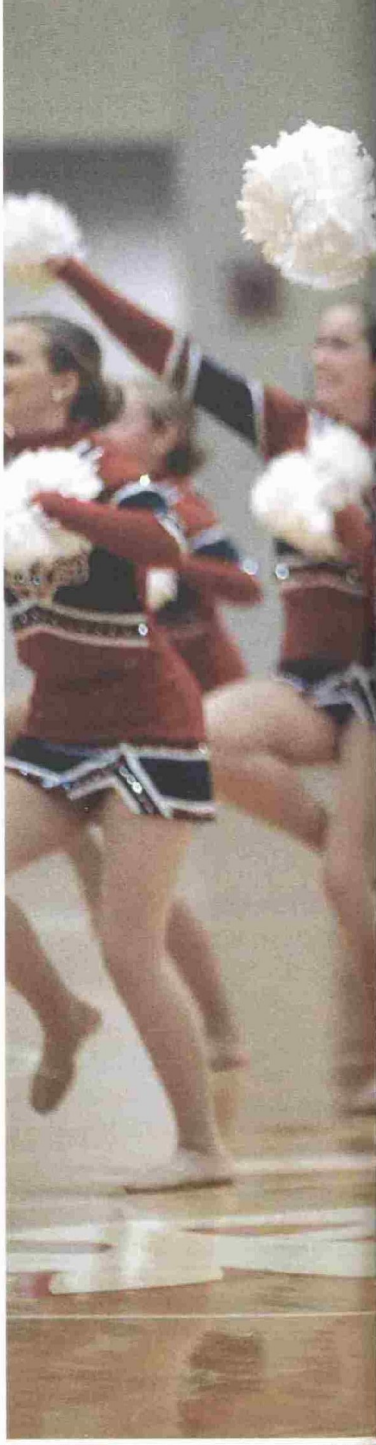


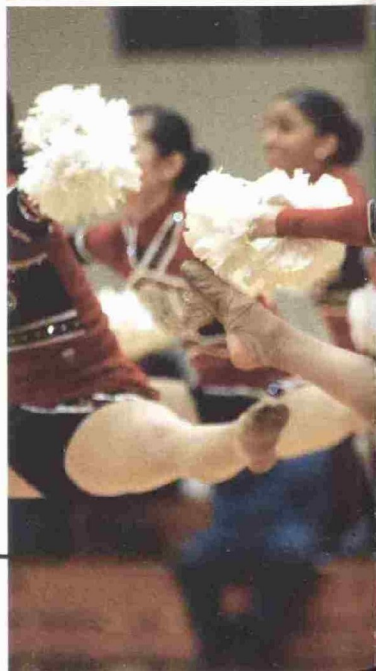
No Breaks Focusing on practice, Jill Cuvala, junior, takes her beginning pose and waits for the music to start for their jazz routine. The team separated their time equally between their two dances, Jazz and Pom, in order to effectively get each dance to look perfect and in sync. "During a typical practice, we came to the dance room and started stretching at 3:15," Cuvala said. "Then we practiced non-stop with rarely any breaks until 5:30." Photo by Lauren Kozy

Stay in Time To ensure perfect movement, Emma Harvath, senior, practices with her teammates to get each move right. It was very important to practice their Pom routine because it took a lot of energy to hit every move. "Our hardest dance was Pom, but we practiced both dances pretty equally," Harvath said. Photo by Lauren Kozy



"I danced because I loved it. For me, it was a way to relieve stress, and dance had always been a constant in my life, which was very comforting." —Emma Harvath, senior





Dancing to FLORIDA

The Dance team strengthens their routines to prepare for Nationals in Florida

Story by Abbey Burris

The Dance team had practiced all year in preparation for their Nationals competition in Florida.

"In the summer, we conditioned and trained to try and get our skills up to par to be on the same level as everyone else as a whole team," Victoria Williams, senior, said.

Mondays and Thursdays, they practiced. The team performed Friday nights at football and basketball games.

"Towards the beginning of the school year, we got our competition pom and competition jazz routines," Williams said. "Ever since then, we had been conditioning and working together as a whole to try and clean those up and to be ready for our biggest competitions."

Coach Cindy Banas, WWMS teacher, urged the team to work harder during their practices and their own competitions to improve their skills.

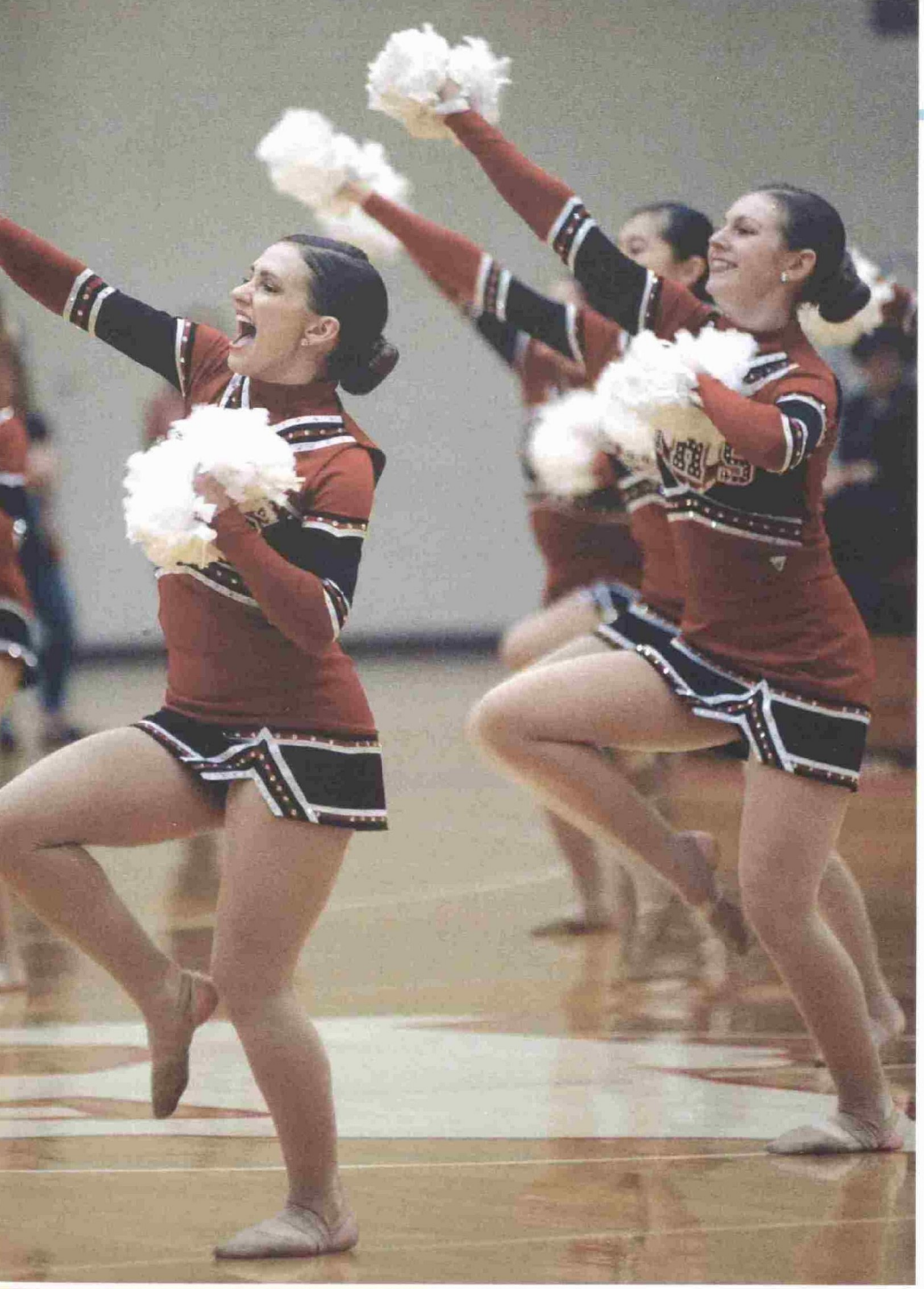
"Our practices had been really difficult because Coach Banas had been really pushing us," Reem Alsakaji, senior, said.

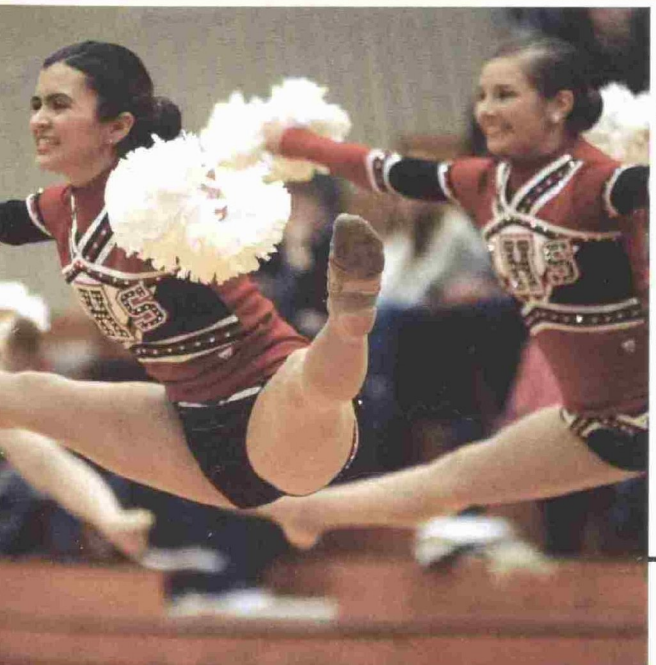
Their strong work ethic and commitment strengthened the team's performance.

"We were able to dance together cohesively and that was how we pushed each other," Williams said.

The dance team placed 10th in Jazz and 5th in Pom at the Nationals competition at Universal Studios in Florida.

"It felt amazing," Captain Emma Harvath, senior, said. "We worked so hard for it, and all the scores were so close that we were honored."





The Crowd Goes Wild Taking in the crowd's cheers at a basketball game, Emma Harvath, senior, performs their Pom routine and prepares to complete a triple jump sequence. She thought about how she needed to have perfect timing on her jumps and try to get her toe touches as high as possible. "I loved how our routine was crazy fast," Harvath said. "The best feeling was when you looked up at the audience after performing, and they were going crazy."
Photo by Kess Vaitkus

Jump For Joy Smiling at the crowd, Layna Kounelis, sophomore, performs a triple jump sequence into a split during a Pom routine during a basketball game. It was necessary for the team to keep their jumps high and show facial expressions. "I was really thinking about how I had to go split on the ground in a few seconds and how tired I was about to be," Kounelis said.
Photo by Kess Vaitkus

WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

What is your favorite song to dance to?

- ☐ "Second Night of Summer" (by Lil Yachty) — Bella Buono, 11
- ☐ "Stir Fry" (by Migos) — Alyssa Strege, 11
- ☐ "Walk It Talk It" (by Migos) — Payton Poulston, 10
- ☐ "Menace" (by Lil Yachty) — Savanah Sharpe, 11
- ☐ "Mr. Brightside" (by The Killers) — Emma Harvath, 12
- ☐ "Notice Me" (by Migos) — Monica Fronczek, 11

Athlete Shortages

Wrestling undergoes a shortage of team members after incoming freshmen numbers lower than expected

Story by Micala Boyd

One varsity spot. One weight class. This is what potential wrestlers must have considered before trying out for the team.

A common misconception was that there weren't tryouts for the team this year. Because the team was significantly smaller, there were less people competing for the same varsity positions. There were tryouts; however, there was less competition.

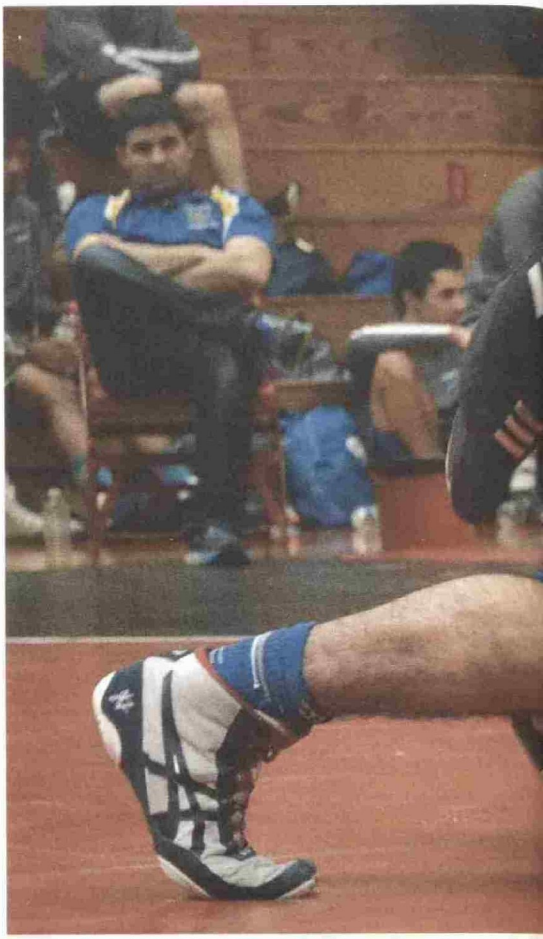
"Because we had less kids coming in, there was less wrestle-offs," team captain Cody Crary, senior, said.

The shrinking size of the team could be attributed to two sources, according to Crary. First of all the majority of the team last year was seniors who graduated. Secondly, the team did not receive a sufficient amount of incoming freshmen from the 8th grade team at Wilbur Wright.

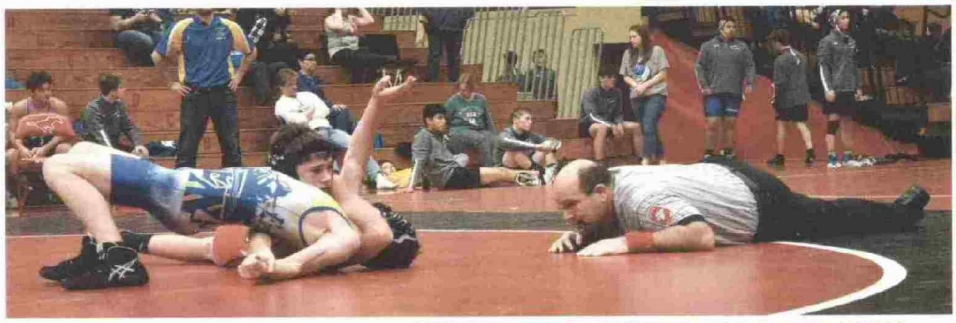
"We lost a lot of seniors last year," Crary said. "We also didn't get as many freshmen; we always had a [Learn to Wrestle] program at Munster. (It helped) getting kids started early and having already been introduced to the sport."

Former head coach and WWMS teacher, Mr. Dan Gelarden, ran the youth wrestling program; however, after he left, the program terminated and is now in need of a new sponsor.

"If (the program came back), it would definitely help because we would have more numbers after a couple years," Crary said. "(Next year) we will probably have more people. There will be more freshmen coming in and there were only two seniors so we wouldn't be losing many."



Holding it Down At the home tournament, Cody Crary, senior, tries to defeat his opponent from East Noble High School, from Kendallville Indiana. After winning his match, Cody went on to state and took fourth place. "I was just trying to hold him down," Crary said, "I went three and o this tournament but I ended up hurting my knee" Photo by Elizabeth Fonseca



Close Call During the annual home tournament for wrestling called Superduels, Ethan Castillo, sophomore, pins an opponent. In order to receive more points, the opponent's shoulder blades must touch the ground. "One of my favorite moments in wrestling was when I made it to regionals and got to be on the podium," Castillo said. Photo by Elizabeth Fonseca

Flip It During practice, juniors Jonah Clark and Dominick Reda joke around and practice flips. While some wrestlers joined recently, Jonah has been doing it his whole life. "I did wrestling all the way back in kindergarten," Jonah said. Photo by Elizabeth Fonseca

WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

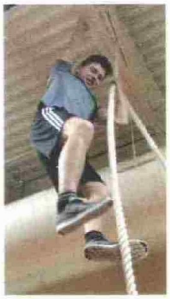
Describe what it's like to wrestle in one word.

- ☐ exciting — Jonah Clark, 11
- ☐ Work — Ethan Korwek, 9
- ☐ Hard — Leo Tsrtsis, 9
- ☐ Tough — Ryan Hyland, 11
- ☐ Cheese — Alec Samardzich, 12
- ☐ Challenging — Surajpal Singh, 9

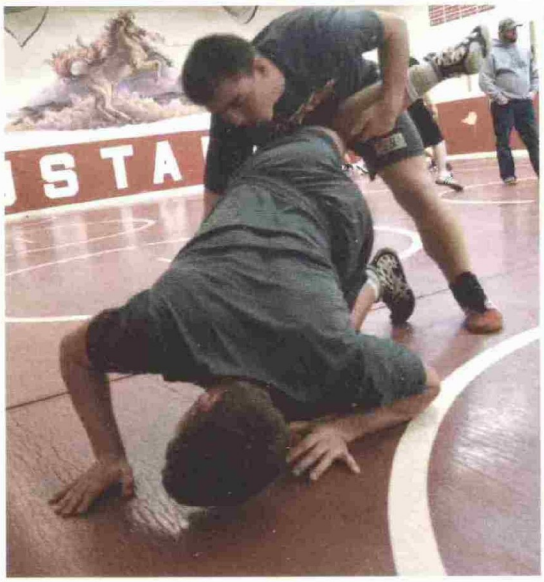
Learning the Ropes

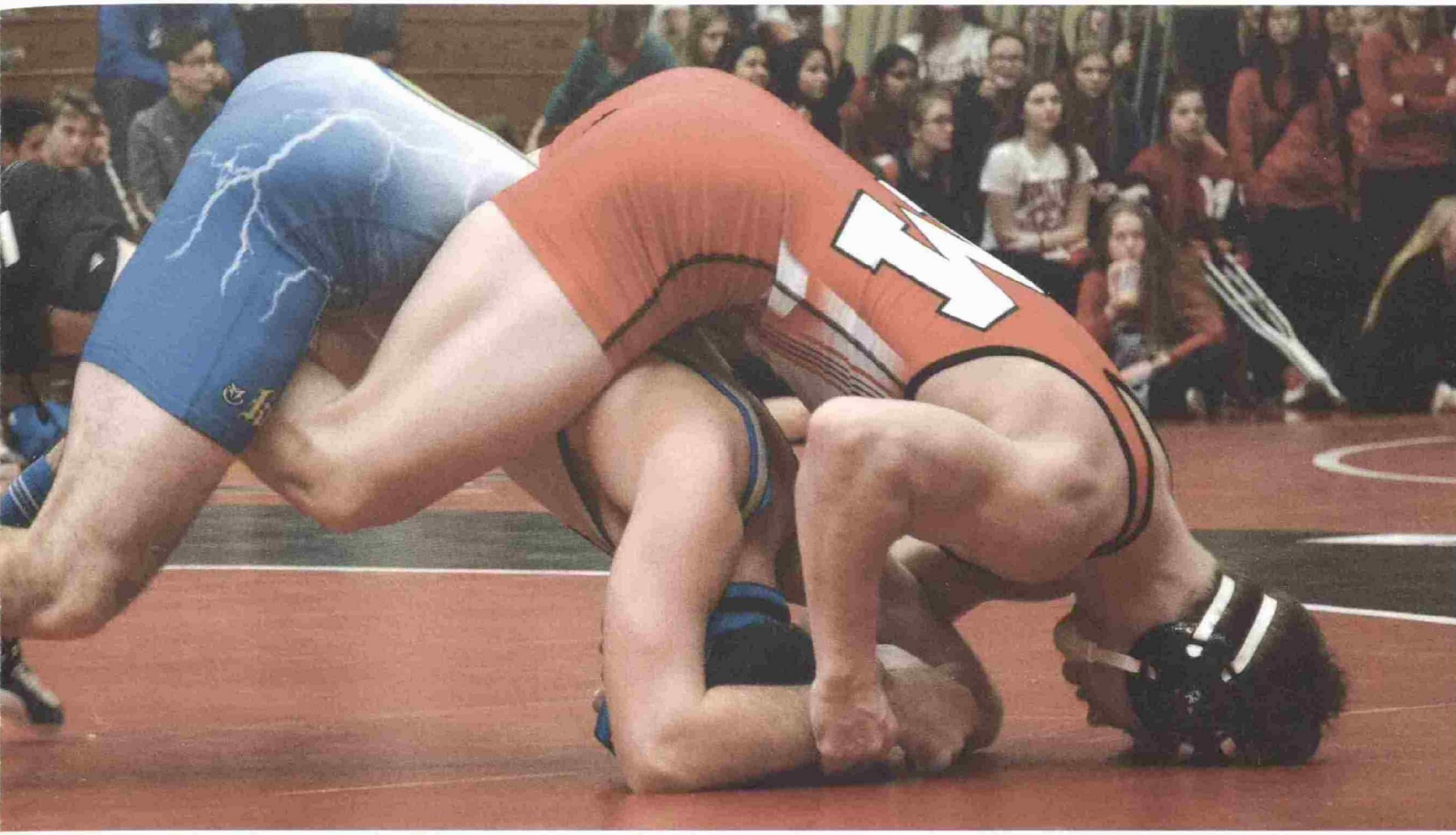
Steven Campbell, sophomore, points out some basic rules of the rope

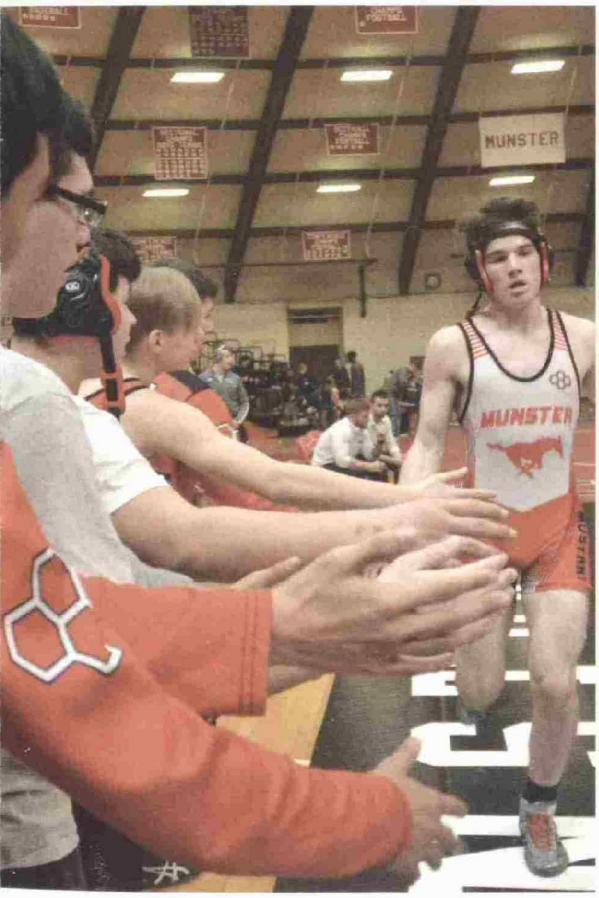
1. Do not jump off
2. One person on the rope at a time
3. Do not slide down or your hands will burn

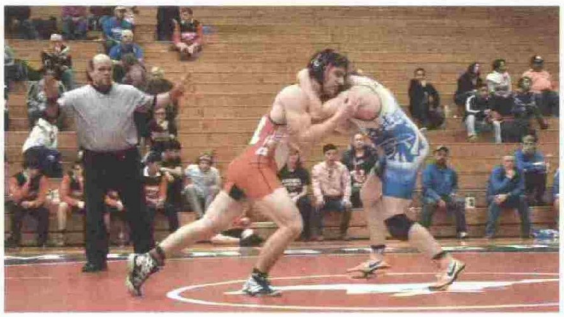


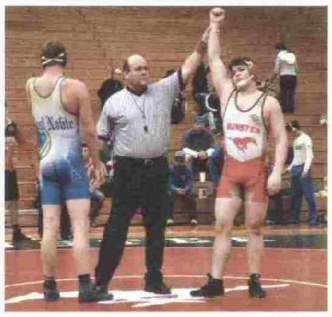
Hanging Out At practice, Steven Campbell, sophomore, makes it to the top of the new rope the team put up this year in the wrestling room. Throughout training, the boys use the rope to increase grip strength and upper-body strength. "We used it when we were in lifting and stuff in the summer a lot," Campbell said. Photo by Elizabeth Fonseca







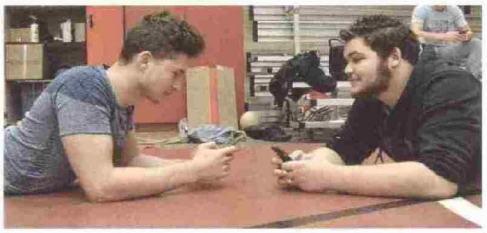




Good Sport Running through an awaiting line of high-fives, Ryan Hyland, junior, gets congratulated after winning a match. At the home tournament hosted by Munster, Ryan won one of his matches after three rounds of wrestling. "We all go through everything together," Hyland said, "For them to be backing us up, even if it was a win or a loss, showed that they still cared either way and it meant a lot" **Dancing With Danger** In the middle of an intense match, Dominick Reda, sophomore, pushes against the opposition. During matches, it all comes down to skill, technique, and strength. "I was probably thinking about destroying the competition," Reda said. **Victory** Winning the match, Caleb Thomas, senior, raises his hand in victory. Munster hosted a special tournament once a year to give the wrestlers more experience. "I started wrestling when I was in second grade," Thomas said, "It was a big part of my life and made me who I am today." Photos by Elizabeth Fonseca

Match Against Time

A break down of spare time before practice



Calm Before the Storm Before getting ready for practice, Steven Campbell, sophomore, and Caleb Thomas, senior, and Steven Campbell, sophomore, lie on the ground while using their phones. Although the boys like to relax, as soon as the coach comes in, it's all business. "We usually only chilled before (Coach) Slosser gets in," Thomas said. "When he was in there, we did a lot." Photo by Elizabeth Fonseca

10 minutes to get dressed in the locker room

2 minutes to put shoes on and lace them up

8 minutes to relax to nap or play phone games

Just Keep Swimming

Despite the challenge of a closed pool, Girls' Swimming pushes through to victory at Sectionals and State Story by Catie Gilhooly

Every morning for two and a half weeks, swimmers woke up with the sun and rushed to do their homework on the bus to make it to their morning and afternoon practices. The pool was closed for repairs after a broken separation wall injured the foot of Samantha Buffano, sophomore.

"We were just doing our warm-up of the day," Buffano said. "When I went to kick off of the wall, it caved in and my foot went inside. I pushed off the wall, it closed on me and my toe got stuck."

The injury didn't only impact her individual season, but the entire pool as they closed to make repairs. The team had to travel farther to practice every day.

"We had to get at school at 5:30 in the morning to go to Morton High School for practice and Lake Central for the afternoon, which made it a really long day for us," Deven Burse, junior, said.

The athletes were discouraged, but decided that they wouldn't let the challenge dictate the outcome of their season.

"We eventually realized there was nothing we could do and it was out of our hands," Bella Blackford, senior, said. "We had to come together as a team and work with the circumstances that we had."

After the obstacles of those two weeks practicing in unfamiliar pools, the swimmers were relieved to be back in their own water, where they all felt comfortable.

"Coming back was like coming home from a vacation," Burse said. "I had been swimming in the Munster natatorium since I was 8-years-old, so being there, versus being at the other two pools, made it really nice to be back."

Although they faced unusual struggles, the team was able to stay focused, winning the Sectional competition and having success at the State level.

"Knowing that we had all those challenges this season just made our accomplishments that much better and that much more unreal," Blackford said. "We pushed through all of the craziness and still won in the end and that showed how much we came together as a team and how much harder we had to work to win. It really made everything worth it in the end."

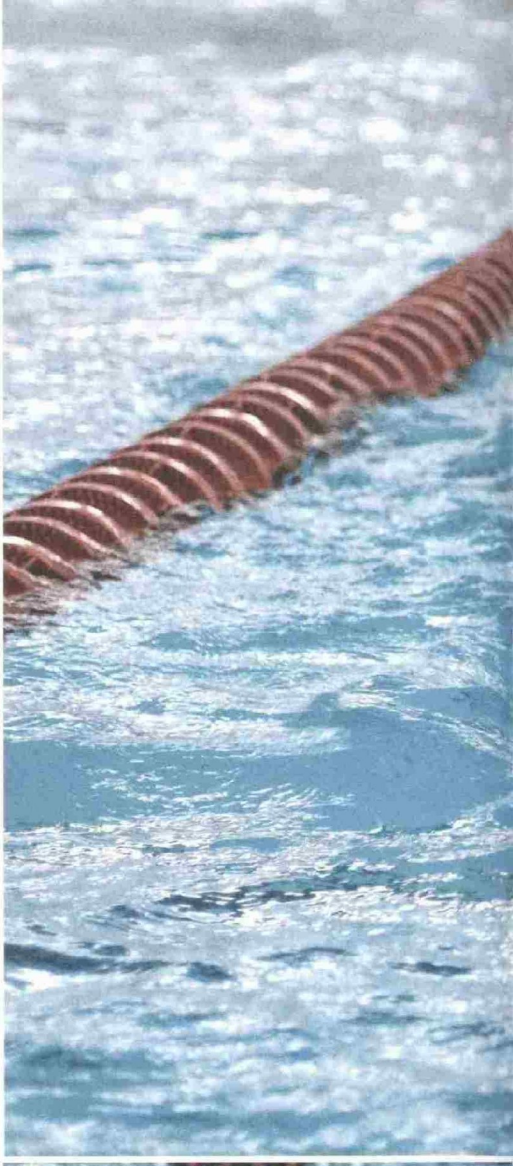
Take your Mark Getting ready to mount the block, Brisa Bohling, junior, swims at Sectionals. Bohling swam the 200 individual medley and she also had been swimming for almost 10 years. "I liked the atmosphere and the people," Bohling said. "I mainly did it for my friends and just to have fun." Photo by Kess Vaitkus

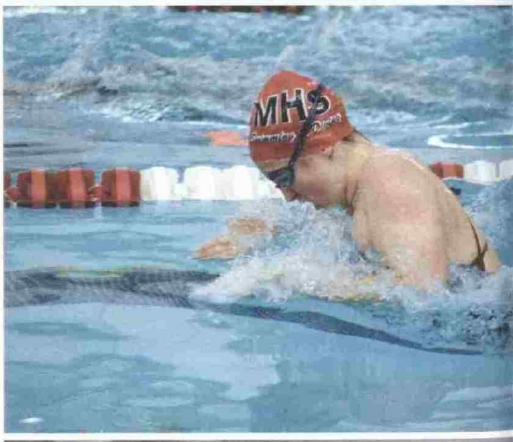
Dive into Practice

Before all meets and practices, Eleanor Wilson, junior, completes these tasks to stay comfortable

Warming Up Before diving practice, juniors Eleanor Wilson and Moira Glowacki stretch out their arms and legs to warm up. Divers make sure they stretch so that they don't pull a muscle or have any discomfort while on the board. "Warming up helped me to get in the right mindset and get focused for practice," Wilson said. Photo by Kess Vaitkus

1. **stretch** arms and legs to avoid injury
2. **get on** board to visualize jump
3. **jump** on end of board to prepare to dive
4. **practice approaches** to get used to jumps





WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

How do you feel when you get in the water?

- ☐ refreshed — Melinda Michalski, 10
- ☐ Annoyed — Eliana Candelaria, 9
- ☐ Great — Bella Blackford, 12
- ☐ Cold — Brisa Bohling, 11
- ☐ Energized — Samantha Buffano, 10
- ☐ Awake — Erin Bryce, 10
- ☐ Joy — Savannah Kunas, 9
- ☐ Disappointed — Deven Burse, 11
- ☐ Cold — Miranda Adams, 12
- ☐ Free — Kay Foley, 11
- ☐ Tired — Aleksandra Manojlovic, 12

Never Give Up While in the practice lane for Sectionals, Lindsy Vanek, junior, practices her breast stroke, a part of her 200 meter intermediate medley. Vanek won the 100 meter backstroke at Sectionals and also swam the event at the State-level competition. "When I swam I cleared my mind and didn't think about anything else," Vanek said. "I just tried to finish the race and get my best time in each event no matter what else was happening." Photo by Kess Vaitkus

Cheering On Watching the Girls' Diving Sectionals, members of the swim team, Eliana Candelaria and Clarisa Cortez, freshmen, show their support. Not swimming in Sectionals this year, Candelaria and Cortez were alternates at the meet. "I was watching the girls dive scores come in on the scoreboard," Candelaria said. "I was really happy because the divers were winning." **Smooth Swimming** At practice, Kay Foley, junior, swims the breaststroke. She practiced this stroke, but didn't swim it in competition. "I felt very free when I swam, I didn't have to worry about anything else," Foley said. "It didn't matter what was going on during the day. I went to practice after school and I got in the pool and work hard." **Fight to the Finish** Swimming at the Girls' Swimming and Diving Sectionals, Miranda Adams, senior, swims the butterfly. Adams had been swimming for ten years. "My dad swam in high school, I decided I wanted to try the sport as well," Adams said.
Photos by Victoria Reardon and Kess Vaitkus

Making a Splash

To end her swim season, Kay Foley, junior, becomes the first Munster Girl's Swim State Champion since 1983

Competition	200 Freestyle	500 Freestyle
Conference	Broke her own team record from freshman year	Broke team record
Sectionals	First place	First place
State	Third place	First place
Personal Best Times	1 minute 47 seconds	4 minutes 47 seconds

Hard Work Pays Off Standing on top of a starting block, Kay Foley, junior, receives her first place award at the girls' Sectional meet. Foley went on to win the 500 freestyle event and place third in the 200 freestyle event at the State level. "I started swimming when I was really little," Foley said. "I loved the feeling when being in the water, and I just I fell in love with it." Photo by Kess Vaitkus

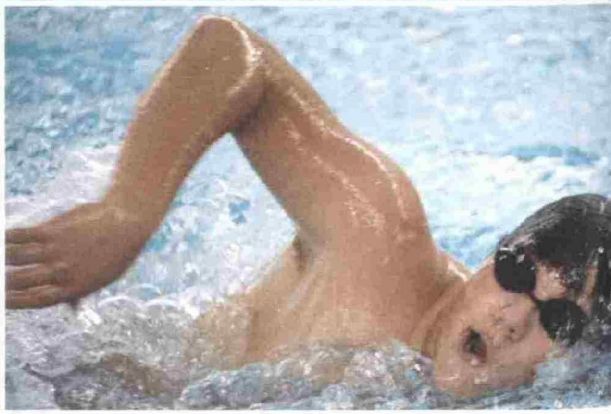
Showing Seahorse Support

The school hung a banner in the Commons to support the Boys' Swim team at Sectionals

Seahorse Strong The school showed support for the swim team by hanging a banner in the commons during the week before Sectionals. "It was the first time our school had shown support this year, and it was nice that the swim team got some attention as we won our 33rd consecutive Sectional win," Grant Afman, sophomore, said. Photo by Victoria Reardon

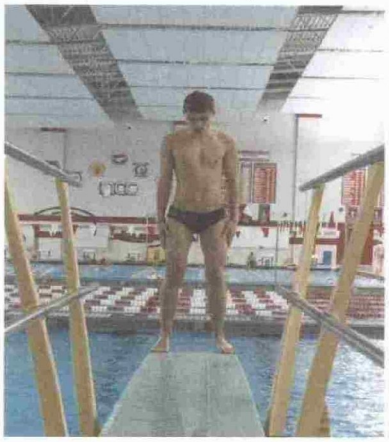
Bleacher's Smile Watching their teammates swim, seniors Eric Wallace and Brandon Silver, Justin Singh, junior, sophomores, Jacobus Barnard, Kyle Adams, Aidan Smith, and Fenry Zhou, freshman, are at the Boys' Sectionals meet. The boys' team became winners Sectionals and headed to state. "I was pretty excited, everyone was having good races." Smith said "I was also nervous because I had my race coming up." Photo by Kess Vaitkus

Give It Your All Practicing the butterfly stroke Holden Raffin, sophomore, does his individual medley training for Sectionals. Raffin had trained his hardest and hoped to make it to State. "My goals for Sectionals was to get to State in all of my events." Raffin said. "Both of our relays were close to the school record, and, hopefully, we could set a new one at Sectionals." **On the Fly** Swimming the butterfly stroke, Fenry Zhou, freshman, swims his event for Sectionals. Zhou enjoyed swimming because of the people on the team and the fun meets. "I had been swimming for about eight or nine years," Zhou said. **Quick Breath** Mid-stroke, Carlo Candelaria, junior, races at practice. Candelaria swam the 500 freestyle. "When I was with the team, I felt as if I was a part of a family," Candelaria said.
Photos by Kess Vaitkus



Diving In with Both Feet

The Boys' Dive team practices to prepare for Sectionals at Lake Central



Standing Still Eyes on the board, Justin Joens, sophomore, imagines his next dive. Joens was one of the three male divers on the team. "I liked the thrill of diving, some dives were nonchalant while others were completely terrifying," Joens said. "My favorite dive was a reverse flip, that was a single back flip going forward. In this photo, I did the backwards flip, which was a front flip going backwards." Photo by Victoria Reardon

Dive On In Practicing diving for Sectionals, Tyler Kisala, sophomore, balances on the board before diving. This was Kisala's first year on the team. "I liked diving because it was fun, and I felt alive," Kisala said. "Being a part of a team felt exciting." Photo by Victoria Reardon

Coming Back Strong

Boys' Swimming triumphs during their season and wins Sectionals after pool was closed for a month Story by Abbey Burris

The start of the Boys' Swim season was rough because the pool was shut down for a month. Swimmers had to practice at other schools.

"A lot of us had to adjust our time schedules, and we had to adjust how we got stuff done," AJ Zachary, senior, said. "We weren't used to using their pools so we had to squeeze in time as much as we could to get all our hard practices in."

After all their struggling, the team triumphed at their swim meet against Lake Central on Jan. 18.

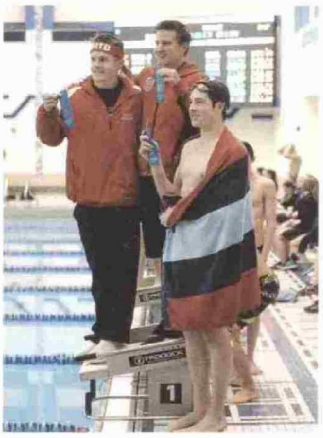
"Our meet against Lake Central was a highlight because that was our comeback meet," Captain Eric Wallace, senior, said. "It was a cross-team rivalry, and we totally destroyed them."

Although the team struggled this season, they became more capable of handling obstacles thrown their way. These obstacles motivated the team throughout the season.

"It was a very strange year, and we were using different pools, but I think because of all these obstacles we were able to focus more and able to prepare ourselves for Sectionals," Zachary said.

The team found strength in each other.

"A lot of freshmen this year were stepping up," Brandon Silver, senior, said. "A lot of hard work had been put into practice, and the coach had been doing well for us."



Ribbon Winners At Sectionals, sophomores Holden Raffin, Grant Afman, and Kyle Adams display their blue ribbons after winning their relay. They practiced every day after school to win their race. "It felt like a relief that it was a ticket to the State meet," Adams said. "It meant that I had another Sectional win to call mine." Photo by Kess Vaitkus

Their hard work paid off as the team earned their 33rd consecutive win at Sectionals on Feb. 16-18 at Lake Central. At Sectionals, the team qualified for three relays and three individuals swimmers made State cuts. Holden Raffin, sophomore, qualified for four State events.

"I knew I was going to State because I won all of my events and did so under the state cuts," Raffin said.

Although the beginning of their season was filled with obstacles, the team pulled through and placed 9th at State which was Feb. 22-25 in Indianapolis. The 200 medley relay placed fourth, Raffin medaled in the 200 IM and 100 backstroke.

Wallace said, "We came together and showed that even though we had gone through our hardships, we were still here and still fast."

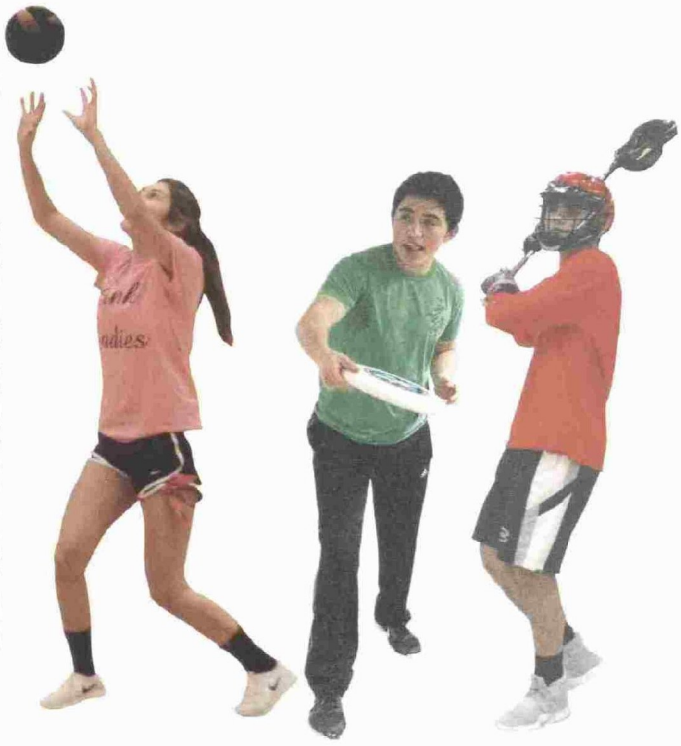
WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

How do you feel when you get in the water?

- ☐ gnarly — Justin Singh, 11
- ☐ Happy — Eric Wallace, 12
- ☐ Excited — Carlo Candelaria, 11
- ☐ Wet — Van Lambert, 9
- ☐ Radical — Aidan Smith, 10
- ☐ Cold — Nate Kunas, 11
- ☐ Neat — Holden Raffin, 10
- ☐ Exhilarated — Jake Hemingway, 12
- ☐ Freezing — Max Arnold, 10
- ☐ Gotta Win — Grant Afman, 10
- ☐ Death — Tony Bohling, 11
- ☐ Accomplished — Tyler Kisala, 10
- ☐ Invigorating — James Ashcraft, 11
- ☐ Thunderstruck — Jacobus Barnard, 10
- ☐ Very Cold — Fenry Zhou, 9
- ☐ Tears — Joey Baeza, 12
- ☐ Waking up — Michael Morganelli, 9
- ☐ Nostalgic — Brandon Silver, 12
- ☐ In My Element — Kyle Adams, 10

Fun and Games

Students participate on sports teams for the love of the game



Sky High Setting the ball over the net, Alexis Pedraza, senior, participates in Student Government's Intramural volleyball game. She was the only one on the 'Pink Ladies' team with volleyball experience and enjoyed playing with her friends. "Our goal was to win at least one game, but we ended up making it to the semi-finals," Alexis said. **Ultimate Showdown** Preparing to toss the frisbee, Luciano Medina, senior, takes part in a version of his own Ultimate Disc League during the summer at local fields. He and a few close friends paralleled their game to the general rules of the professional disc league. "My friends and I usually played 3-4 times a week and practiced at St. Paul's open field just for fun," Luciano said. **Two Years Running** Playing catch at practice, Jeremiah Eaton, senior, extends his lacrosse stick and tosses the ball to one of his teammates. They finished up their hour and a half practice with a simple drill to cool down. "This was my second year playing," said Jeremiah, "I liked picking up new sports and naturally lacrosse just clicked."

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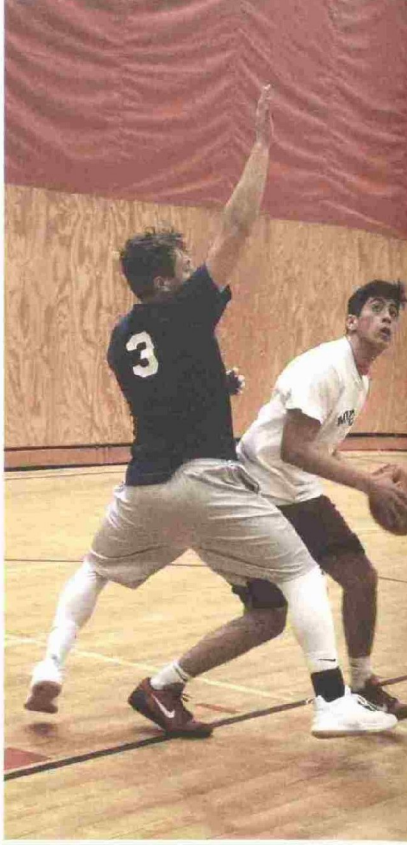


On Thin Ice

Test your knowledge of hockey slang with this matching quiz

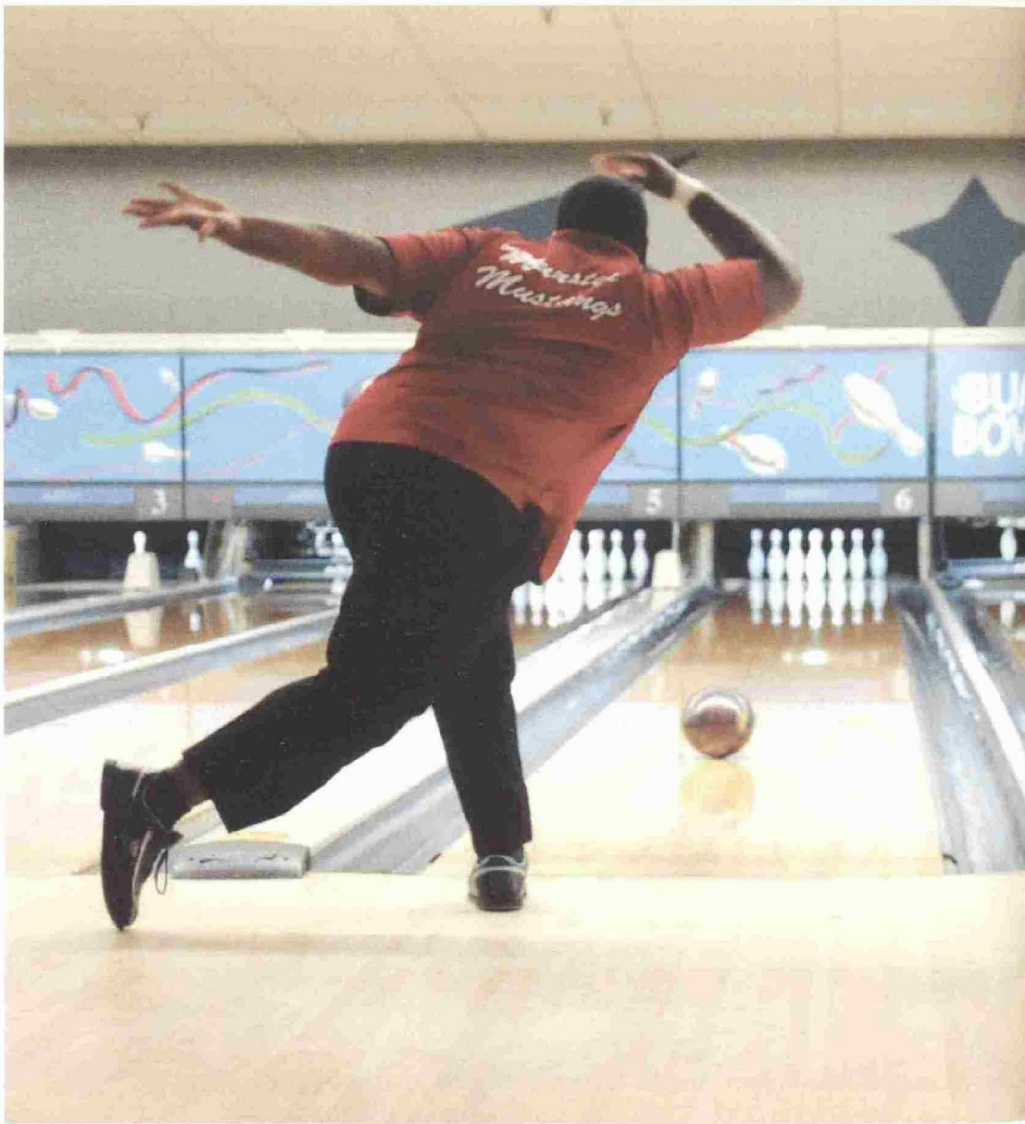
1) twig	**a)** jersey
2) sweater	**b)** helmet
3) geno	**c)** goal
4) bucket	**d)** gloves
5) biscuit	**e)** stick
6) mittens	**f)** puck

Source: Jack Foster, senior

answers: 1) e 2) a 3) c 4) b 5) f 6) d

Danger Zone Warming up, James Bugajski, senior, holds his stick up intently while on the ice. He had just scored a goal during the one of the team's drills. "My line mate Evan Conway, senior, and I clearly just scored a goal because that's all we do when we're playing," James said.

Photo by Melanie Powers



Bare Necessities

Lacrosse player Isabella Wolski, sophomore, can't leave for practice without these must-have items

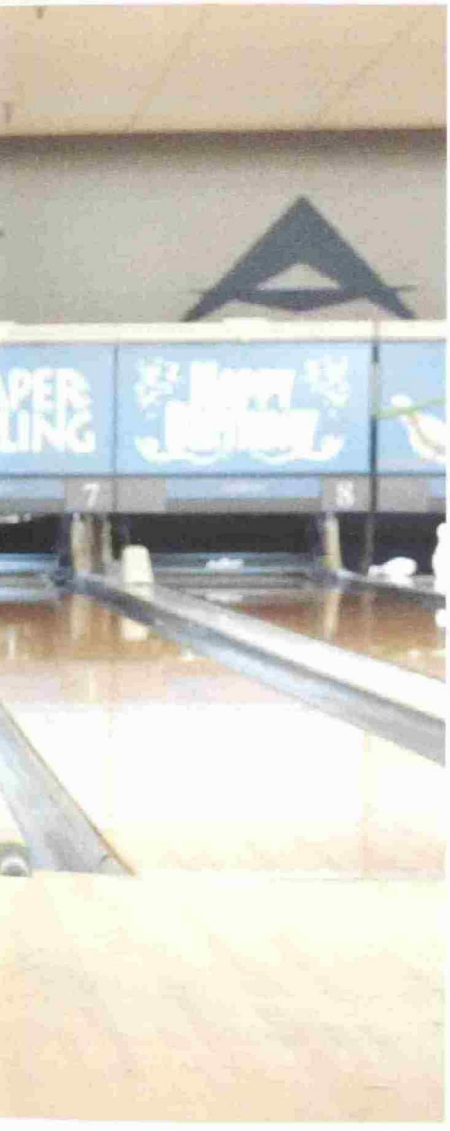
WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

What's an activity that should be a sport?

- ☐ Videogames — Sofia Balac, 12
- ☐ Eating — Christian Portone, 10
- ☐ Bowling — Alina Hillegonds, 11
- ☐ Sleeping — Ariel Shoriak, 9
- ☐ Ping pong — Owais Siddiqui, 12
- ☐ Arm-wrestling — Muaz Shad, 11
- ☐ Color guard — Prisilla Ortiz, 9

Freeze Frame With a strong stance, Jack Strimel, senior, holds his position at Biddy Ball to try to block Julian Alvarado, senior, from taking a shot. He failed to block the shot, although his team still won the game. "My team had never even lost," Jack said, "I was kind of mad that he made that shot." Photo by Megan Wolski

Dodging Bullets Playing in the Dyer indoor soccer team made up of majority Munster students, Sam Latinovich, freshman, dribbles the ball up the field. The game resulted in a win of 1-0 for Sam's team. "I was really nervous because almost all the players on my team played on varsity as well as the other team," Sam said. Photo by Megan Wolski



Just for Kicks

Juniors play soccer across the county with different teams and leagues, varying in difficulty Story by Catie Gilhooly

From October to December, upperclassman boys competed in various indoor soccer leagues around the county.

"There were kids from all over, but mostly from Munster and Lake Central," Jaden Warner, junior, said. "Some of the kids were a younger age group that were playing up to get better and gain more experience with playing."

Their team, jokingly named Two Goals One Cup, was created by and made of mostly junior and senior boys. They competed for the first time this season.

"We didn't have that good of a record," Dylan Brann, junior, said. "But we won one of the tournaments, which was really fun."

With no official practice schedule, the group was much less structured than an organized school team, and more focused on simply enjoying the love of the game. Players also seized the opportunity to sharpen up on skills without the pressures of records and crowds that caused stress.

"A school team was way more organized, and everybody took it more seriously," Warner said. "Indoor was really just a way for us to stay in shape and have fun with our teammates."

The low-stress atmosphere allowed students like Warner to start playing again with friendly competition.

"I played soccer when I was younger but stopped before getting to high school," Warner said. "It was fun to get back to playing soccer and having a good time with my friends while staying in shape."

Some local indoor teams were more similar to a high school level. Cade Howard, junior, played with the Morris Chiefs, a traveling team that practiced twice a week all year long.

"We didn't practice as much as a school team, but we traveled farther distances than the school team would," Howard said. "My favorite part about it was traveling to all of the college stadiums we played in and basically being scouted there. It was a cool experience that was a lot of fun."

Last Pin Standing Releasing the ball right down the center, Carrington Sanders, senior, bowls at local bowling alley, Plaza Lanes. His dedication of practicing three times a week won him local and larger tournaments. "Bowling was something I had a great interest in," Carrington said. "I did not compete professionally but have bowled in tournaments in the area." Photo by Megan Szymanski

WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

If you could make a club based on one thing, what would it be?

- Music — Isabella Trull, 10
- Bowling — Zachary Best, 9
- Movie — Vanessa Pascual, 12
- Composing — Augustus Carroll, 9
- Pizza — Carolina Garza, 11
- Badminton — Clara Terry, 10
- Interior Design — Noelle Long, 11
- Italian — Gina Vellutini, 10
- ~~Astronomy~~ ☆ — Ryanna Pastrana, 12
- Baking — Emily Kotvasz, 11
- Fashion — Olivia Candelaria, 9
- Ballet ☺ — Olivia Rivich, 12
- Veterinarian — Hannah Hughes-Stokes, 11
- Comedy — Hannah Bard, 9
- Cooking — Izzy Malagon, 12
- Rock N' Roll — Gabe Haro, 11
- Quidditch — Milena Trivunovic, 10
- NHL 18 — Jack Burian, 9???
- Flag Football — Anthony Gracie, 10
- 8-ball pool — Olyn Krucina, 10
- Free College Tuition — Garrett Tienstra 10
- cultures — Hailey Fortener, 11
- Hunting — Eric Juarez, 11

Listen to a mariachi concert in Spanish Club, join Student Government to pie Mr. Fortener in the face, perform slam poetry at the Sip with Poetry Club, play Overwatch with your friends at E-Sports, eat Bomber's BBQ with Civics Club, and find inspriation out of writer's block in Creative Writing Club.

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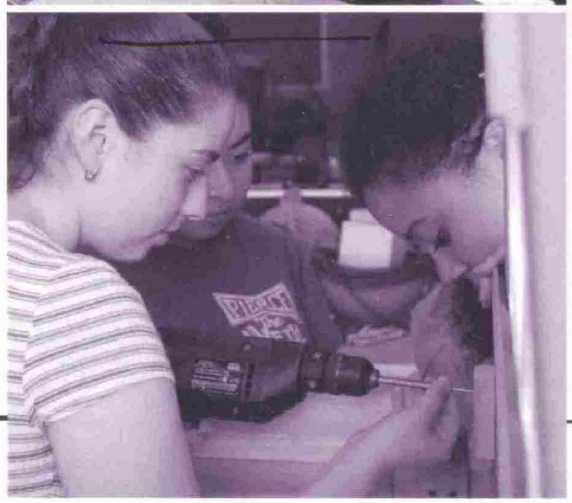
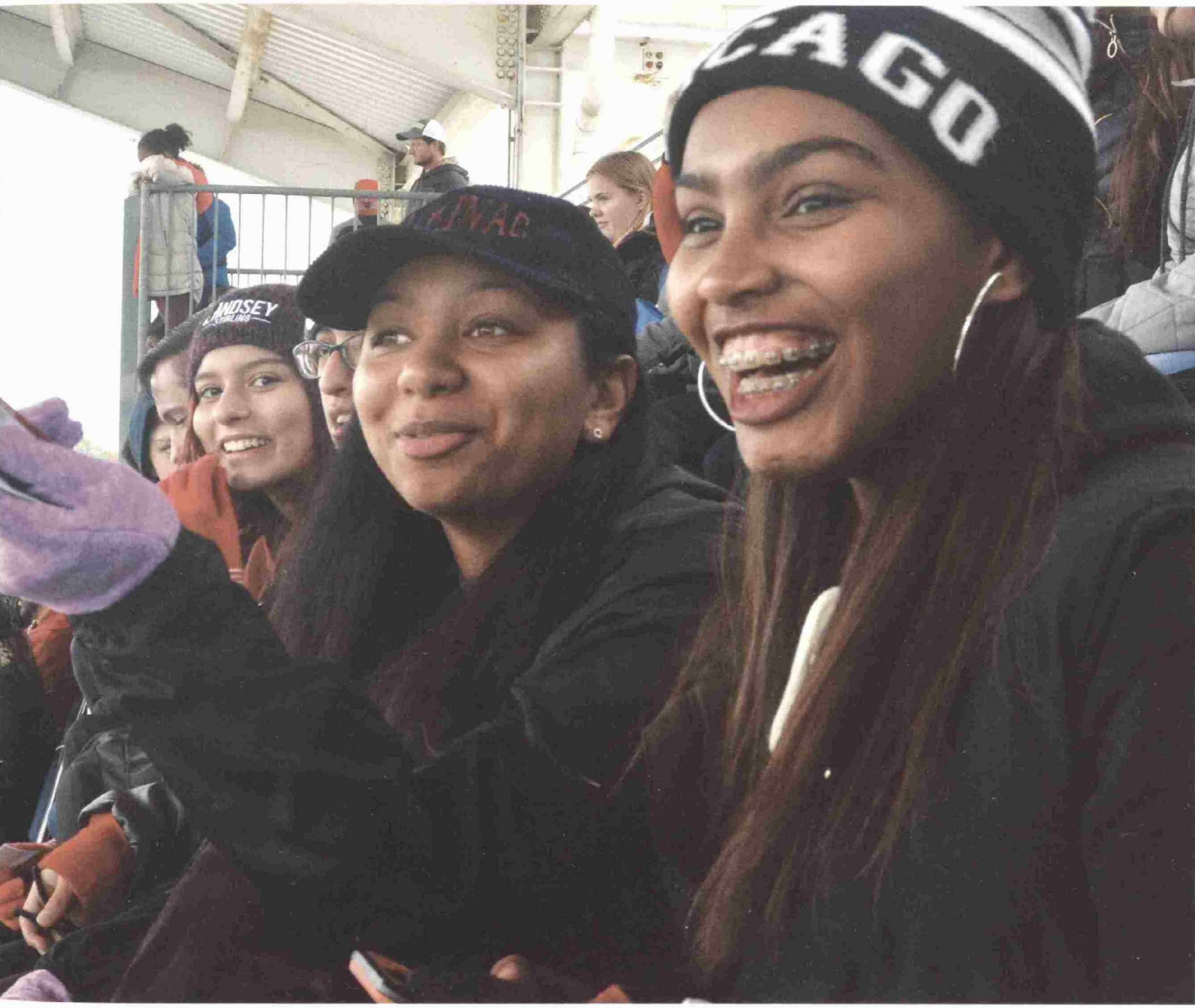


Creative Kids Volunteering at a Booster Club event, Jessica Tucker, junior, sticks a temporary tattoo to a boy's arm. The volunteers were also face-painting at this event. "[The kids] always ask for something different," Jessica said. "It's nice to see how creative they can be." **Daring Duels** Playing Robin Hood in the novice play, The Trials of Robin Hood, Noel Fary, sophomore, fights onstage against Peter Gallagher, sophomore. The character of Little John refused to let Robin Hood cross the bridge, and they fought with bo staffs. "Whenever we did this scene on the bridge I would always fall off on the same knee," Noel said. "I had to go to the doctor about my knee because it was messed up and it hurt so bad." **Building Up** While assembling the junior CEC playhouse, Corinna Love, junior, uses a power tool to drill new holes into wood blocks with Hannah Hughes-Stokes, junior, and Keila Hernandez, junior. The proceeds from the house were given to the Down Syndrome Association of Northwest Indiana. "We pretty much built the whole house by ourselves," Corinna said. "People from other groups thought it was really cool that we were doing everything since we were an all-girls group using power tools." **Futbol Fun** While at a Chicago Fire soccer game for a Spanish Club field trip, Jennifer Lockhart, junior, sits with seniors Alainna Carey, Isabella Malagon, and Maty Nelson watching the game. They were looking at the Chicago skyline beyond the stadium. "It was my first professional soccer game," Jennifer said. "The experience was really fun, from the music to the culture." Photos by Sydney Pastor, Kess Vaitkus and Elizabeth Fonseca

Clubs to Join



SPEAKING
the same language

Foreign language clubs do not require prior language knowledge allowing students to learn new cultures

Story by Micala Boyd

While Spanish club consisted of 114 members, less than half of the participating students were actually enrolled in a Spanish class.

"We didn't require the students to speak Spanish," said Mrs. Rosie Malagon, Spanish teacher and club sponsor. "It was more of a cultural thing."

Students had the opportunity to join foreign language clubs included French, Spanish and ASL club. Each club had a common mission: to share the culture of their language.

"(The mission) was to spread French culture and try to share the different aspects that we didn't get to see in our daily lives," said French club member, Caroline Chael, sophomore.

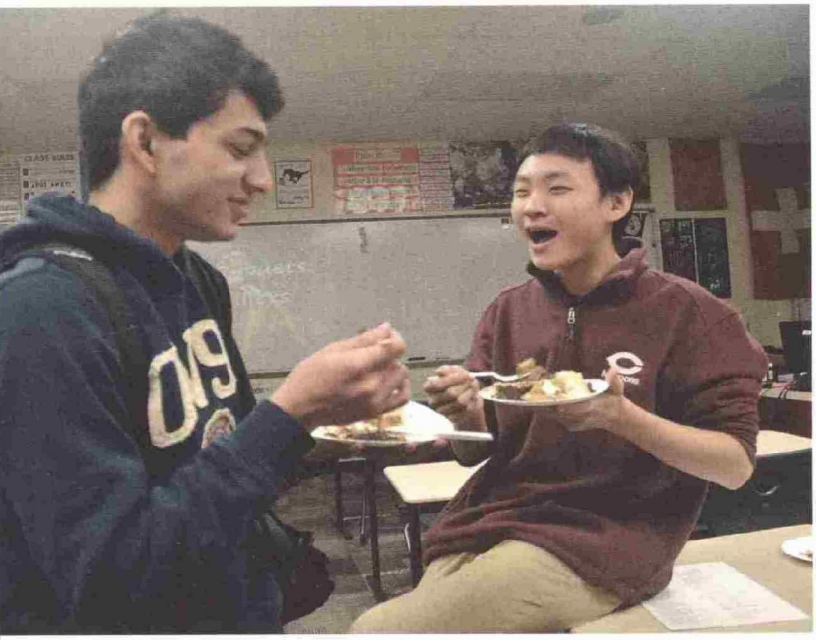
While French and Spanish were verbal languages, ASL Club was unique.

""They would learn really quickly. We had a whole meeting to learn some basic signs before we had our pizza party in October. We invited people from the deaf community, so students got to sign with deaf people, while a lot of them didn't have contact with the deaf community," Ms. Hannah Fus, ASL club sponsor, said.

Despite the language differences, ASL Club's mission was similar to the others.

"(The mission was) to promote cultural awareness among students here in ASL and to promote outreach between students and the deaf community to help bridge that gap so students feel more comfortable reaching out to the deaf community," Ms. Fus said.

Mic Drop During the in-school concert held in the auditorium, the majority of students chanted for Ariel Velasco, sophomore, to sing with the all-women mariachi band. Attending the field trip was an option for all students enrolled in a Spanish class. Ariel sang "Tu Solo Tu" after looking up the lyrics on her phone. "Once I started singing I wasn't as nervous anymore and got more comfortable," Ariel said.
Photo by Elizabeth Fonseca



Bone Apple Tea During French club's Bûche de Noel contest, Rayyan Siddiqui and Zachary Dong, seniors, tried different traditional French desserts. Since freshman year, Rayya was a member of French club. "Being part of French club helped you understand a lot more like the traditions and why they were there," Rayyan said.
Photo by Elizabeth Fonseca

Throwing Hands While having their officer meeting, Vanessa Pascual, senior, signs to Ms. Hannah Fus, ASL teacher, about their next club meeting. Describing her favorite part of ASL club, Ms. Fus said, "Just that we go more into the deaf community and the students are allowed to use sign language in a more real life setting."
Photo by Elizabeth Fonseca

WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

What's your favorite foreign word?

- ☐ Chocolat Chaud — Mirela Jeknic, 10
- ☐ Calabaza — Austin Lynn, 11
- ☐ Amor — Sophia-Lauren Zavala, 12
- ☐ Bonjour — Ashton Rivera, 9
- ☐ Zalabeza — Austin Lynn, 11
- ☐ Bonita — Erin Bryce, 10

This Goes Hand In Hand

ASL club shares the significance of their slogans

Peace Love ASL

I Can't Talk To You Unless You Face Me

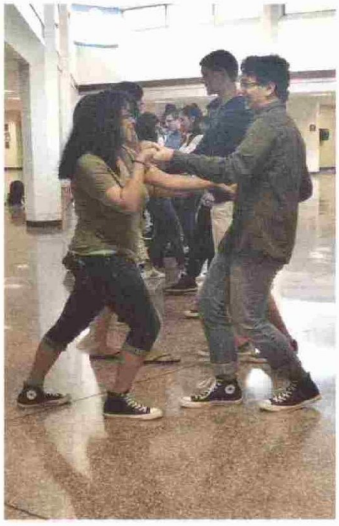
"Everyone loves ASL. It was important because there was no other way to do ASL unless you were face to face with the other person."
— Alexis Flores, ASL member, junior

Wrapped Up Taking her time to win, Sydney Foster, sophomore, wraps her twin sister Hannah Foster, sophomore, with toilet paper. Sydney used a specific strategy for this game during the Spanish Club Day of the Dead party. "I went for the time and tried to cover her the most possible because I knew that she wouldn't care," Sydney said. Photo by Elizabeth Fonseca

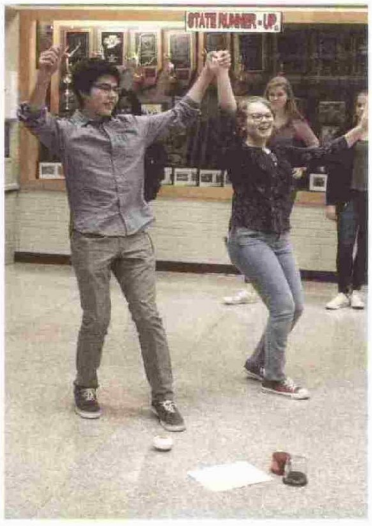
Dancing: The Universal Language

Both Spanish club and French club have activities to learn the dancing of their target language and culture

"They had a **great time**. They had so much fun. **It didn't even matter** if there wasn't enough guys to be partnered up with girls." —Mrs. Rosie Malagon, Spanish club sponsor



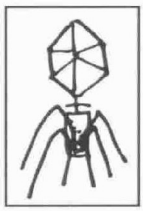
Bailar Conmigo* After watching the dance instructor, juniors Brendan Bleza and Hannah Hughes-Stokes practice their salsa dancing steps. Since Brendan and Hannah never danced salsa, they couldn't stop laughing. "We basically learned three different dance that include: salsa, cumbia, and bachata," Brendan said. Photo by Nicole Roberts (*Dance with me)



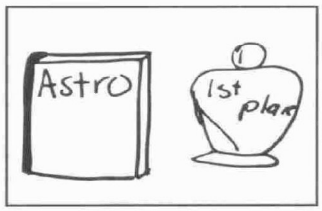
Venez, Dancez* Beginning to step in the middle of the circle, seniors Michael Hrinda and Shannon Hocker start dancing a traditional French dance. "It was really fast paced and your partner changes every round," Michael said. "So you would circle around everyone in the room and it was really fun." Photo by Maira Glowacki (*Come dance with me)

Drawn Science

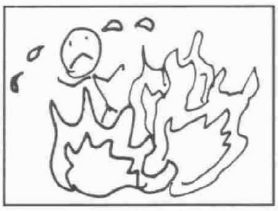
Science Olympiad members illustrate their answers to questions about the club



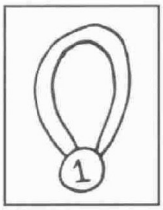
What event are you in?
"Microbe Mission"
—Hannah Giba, 12



What do you do in Science Olympiad?
"We study and win."
—Caroline Chael, 10



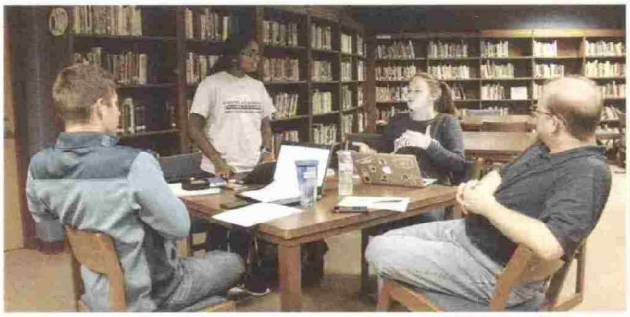
How does it feel being in Science Olympiad?
"..."
—Darrell Schreiner, 11

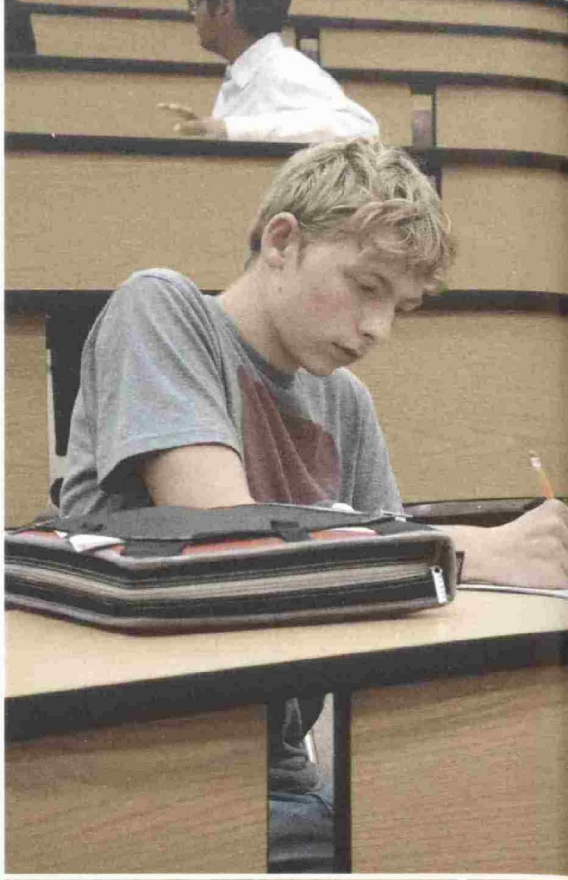


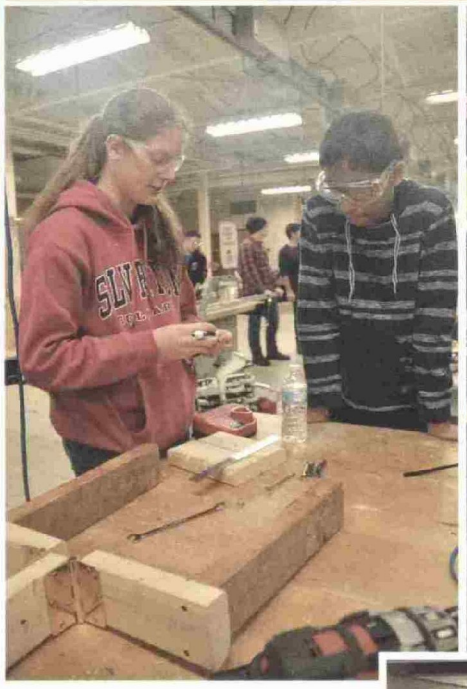
What is your goal this season?
"To get first!"
—Danielle DeCesaris, 12

Humor me During a mock round, Ethan Buck, freshman, edits his speech in a humor round. For the first time every this year, the Speech team won at the nationals Bradley competition. "My favorite thing about speech was watching other people because they made me laugh," Ethan said. **Let's Debate** After school, Jaclyn Webber, junior, is found in the library researching her debate topics by asking Aidan Chism, Cynthia Chockalingam and Mr. Michael Buck questions and exchanging ideas. Jaclyn enjoyed being informed about issues that were happening around the world and made her feel comfortable about exchanging ideas. "Debate helped me understand everyone's feelings without judgement," Jaclyn said. **Role Play** While practicing role plays for their sports and entertainment event at a district competition at Valparaiso High School, juniors Nicole Lu and Alaina Lany await to compete against fellow DECA members. To reach state, the duo would have to put in more hard work since it would be a more intense meet. "The main thing me and my partner needed to figure out was how to collaborate," Alaina said.

Photos by Kess Vaitkus and Micala Boyd







Nerd talk While building a hovercraft for Science Olympiad, but Joey Yoniles, senior, likes to focus on future plans and managing his team's time. Since joining junior year, Joey learned that it was okay to be a nerd and made friends that he enjoyed spending. "It was cool to be a nerd," Joey said. Photo by Elizabeth Fonseca

Gear Up Working hard, Laura Weller, senior, and Rayhan Zaman, freshman, build a wooden arm that will lift a box by itself. Laura used many of the skills that she obtained from being in Robotics. "Being able to work with others and design will only better me in the future," Laura said. Photo by Elizabeth Fonseca

WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

What's your favorite topic to debate?

- ☐ Healthcare — Nick Petrick, 11
- ☐ Net neutrality — Noah Moell, 12
- ☐ Abortion — Ariel Shoriak, 9
- ☐ Immigration — Alejandro Flores, 12
- ☐ Mansplaining — Noel Fary, 10
- ☐ Thomas Brady — Ben Peters, 11

Where did they go?

Match the club with where their Nationals or Internationals competition was located

a) Science Olympiad	1) Atlanta, GA
b) Publications	2) Dallas, TX in June
c) DECA	3) Fort Collins, CO
d) HOSA	4) Fort Lauderdale, FL
e) Speech & Debate	5) Dallas, TX in November

key: a) 3, b) 5, c) 1, d) 2, e) 4

Not Our FIRST RODEO

The Publications staff travels to Texas for a national convention and competes against other schools' publications Story by Abbey Burris

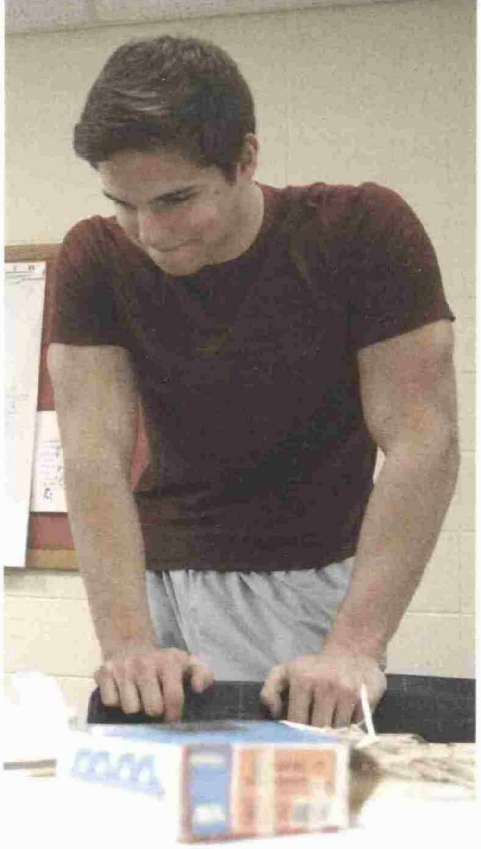
Five members of the publications staff flew to Dallas, Texas in November for the JEA/NSPA Fall National High School Journalism convention. They heard critiques, learned about publications and competed against other high schools.

Ms. Sarah-Anne Lanman, publications adviser, won a JEA Rising Star award. This award reflected her achievement as an up-and-coming adviser through various acts of her commitment to journalism education.

"I was kind of embarrassed to win the Rising Star award, and I didn't really know what to say when people asked me how it felt," Ms. Lanman said.

The Paragon staff received eighth place in Best of Show at the convention for the 2017 yearbook "Lost & Found."

"We worked really hard on the book and put a lot of effort into it," Micala Boyd, senior, said. "As my first year as editor-in-chief, it felt very rewarding. Getting eighth place gave me more room to improve."



Laugh About It Sitting at a table, Ms. Sarah-Anne Lanman, publications adviser, Abbey Burris, junior, and Micala Boyd, senior, speak to Paul Ender, Herff Jones consultant, for a critique of the yearbook cover and theme. "It thought (the cover) was kind of different from what we had done before," Micala said. "Our covers previous to this cover were very serious. Last year, especially, was all black and white. So this year, we had a lot more color on our yearbook cover. It was a lot more playful." Photo by Nicole Roberts

Greetings from Dallas While in Dallas for nationals, Ms. Sarah-Anne Lanman, publications adviser, seniors Micala Boyd and Ian Brundige, and juniors Nicole Roberts and Abbey Burris pose with a bull.

Running for Joe

Police Explorers remember their favorite memories of Officer Joe Pacheco after he lost his battle with malignant brain cancer on Jan. 9

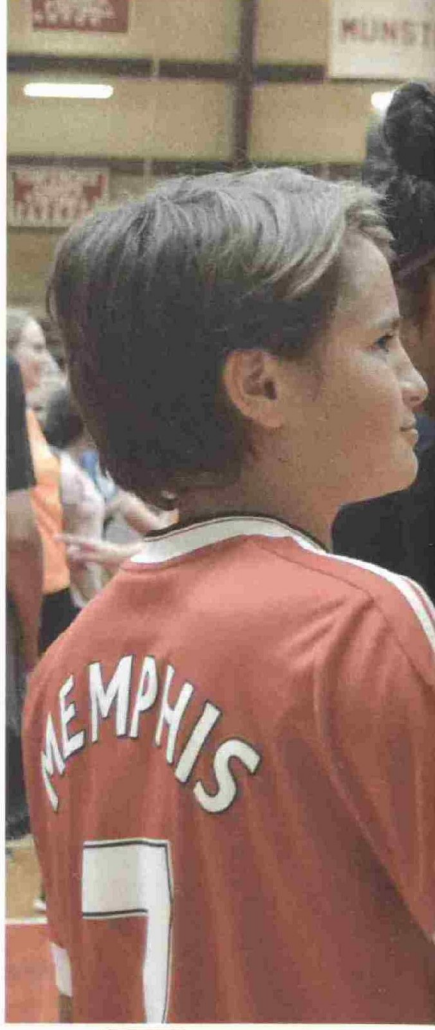
"He taught me how to be kind and respectful, and to work hard for what you wanted to do."
—Angela Alexiou, junior

"On my first detail at the middle school, I had to dress up as the D.A.R.E. lion. It was really fun and he joked around with me the whole time."
—Jalen Johnson, senior

"He would always have a smile on his face. Looking at him, you couldn't help but be happy, and he spread that positivity over the school."
—Halen Paz, senior

All for one On a fundraiser night for Officer Pacheco, Adam Kojich, senior, orders his food at Meatheads with School Resource Officer Gabriel Isenblatter and other Police Explorers. The fundraiser supported Officer Joe's family the day after his death, raising more than $1,500. "It was wonderful to see police officers from all over come and just order a drink or a fry, but it all went to Joe, and that was the most important part," Adam said. Photo by Kess Vaitkus

Stronger Together During the funeral procession, Logan Gomez, freshman, rode in a car while students stood and paid their respects from the front sidewalk along Columbia Avenue. Officer Pacheco was not only Logan's D.A.R.E. officer, but was also a family friend. "It was truly an amazing sight to see a lot of the high schoolers take time out of their day in the frigid temperatures to honor a police officer," Logan said. Photo by Robert Young



Civics Style

Civics Club president recalls inspiration for popular club sweatshirts

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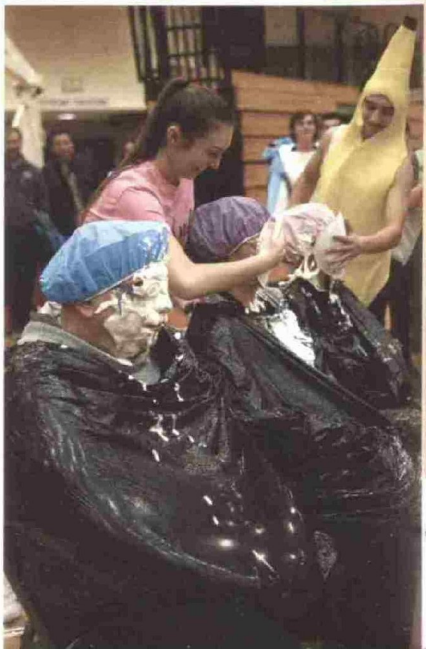
"This year, we wanted something more distinct [than the Supreme logo]. We decided to put a political spin on Kendrick Lamar's album cover."
—Connor Meyer, senior



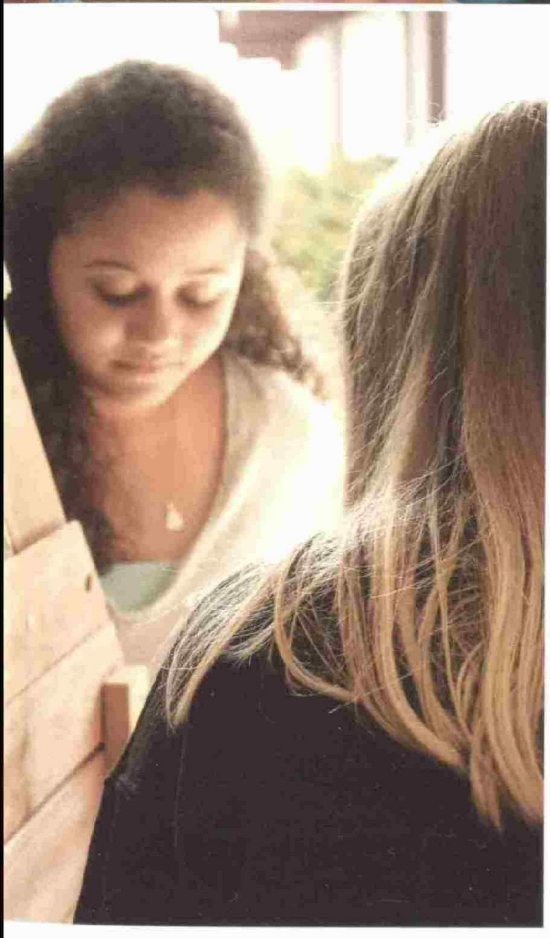
Breakfast Fun At breakfast with Santa hosted by the National Honor Society, Arlee O'Shaughnessy, senior, was in charge of different games going on in the Wilbur Wright cafeteria. While at the breakfast families came to eat breakfast, play games and meet Santa. "It made me feel good to see the little kids light up with excitement for santa and the games," Arlee said. **Pie to the Face** During the intramural volleyball game, Jill Cuvala, junior, got picked in a raffle to pie Mrs. Kim Peirick, teacher, in the face along with fellow students. The teachers getting pied, also included Mr. Donald Fortner and Ms. Brianne Rubesha asked the kids to be respectful, but the students went too hard and they ended the pieing early. "I wanted to be gentle so I didn't hurt her," Jill said. **Good Deeds** Painting the children playhouses, Hannah Hughes-Stokes, junior, works with other members of CEC to make the playhouse appeal to young children. The money raised from the playhouse would go to charity. "It was nice to meet new people that I wouldn't normally get to talk to," Hannah said. Photos by Megan Wolski, Taylor Homans and Sydney Pastor

WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

Where have you volunteered?

- ☐ Elliot Elementary — Cody Reinsma, 12
- ☐ Church — Griffin Broviak, 10
- ☐ Humane Society — Jill Cuvala, 11
- ☐ Habitat for Humanity — Milena Trivunovic, 10
- ☐ Food Drive — Grace Gozdecki, 11
- ☐ Humane Society — Chelsea Okalocha, 12
- ☐ Retirement Homes — Zoe O'Shaughnessy, 10
- ☐ Thrift Store — Lydia Smith, 11
- ☐ Youth Group — Melinda Michalski, 10
- ☐ Humane Society — Victoria Williams, 12

New surroundings During freshman orientation, Max Marich, freshman, plays a group game with Link Crew leaders Ben Peters, junior, Joey Baeza, senior, and Erin Gonzalez, junior. During the game Max was able to meet other new freshmen entering the school. "I wanted to see the high school before I attended," Max said. Photo by Nicole Roberts



LINKING it all together

Link Crew aims to assist all students involved, not just freshmen entering on their first day of school

Story by Catie Gilhooly

Freshman year could be a rush of experiences. It was the job of Link Crew leaders and Mr. Morgan Nolan, assistant principal and Link Crew sponsor, to make this transition as easy as possible for every student.

"The goal was to have a make-up of upperclassmen who the freshmen can walk into orientation and can see themselves in those older students," Mr. Nolan said. "We didn't want every leader to be the most popular kid with straight A's, but for freshmen to aspire to be them. No one was perfect, so we wanted our Link Crew kids to be a representation of the school."

For freshmen like Demetrios Fotopoulos, freshman orientation and the Link Crew experience was more about meeting his new classmates than easing the transition of high school.

"Coming into high school I wasn't really afraid, yet I wasn't excited either," Demetrios said. "I had gone to middle school with most of the people in my group, but there were two others that I met who ended up in a couple of my classes. I went into those classes knowing them, and it was just nice to be able to meet new people."

Being a part of Link Crew wasn't just a learning experience for the freshmen, but also for the upperclassmen involved. Evan Dong, senior, served twice as a leader.

"It really built my confidence, being able to feel like I contributed to helping other kids by introducing them to high school," Evan said. "The experience was also really reflective for me. I looked back on what I did, what my mistakes were, and everything I learned. Looking back on my high school self was a huge part of a growing process."

United we STAND

STAND President Kayla Prowell explains the meaning behind "Standing Together and Naturally Diverse"

Q: What does the STAND club mean to you?

A: "It represented everyone coming together and appreciating the fact that we were all different. It was important for us to show that you could be whoever you were, and you were not less than anyone else because of that."

Meeting Mates While waiting for a morning Project X meeting to begin, Marina Gasich, freshman, chats with friends and fellow club members. To get her own personal hours, Marina helped at her dance teacher's studio and baked dessert donations. "I love to volunteer and help others," Marina said. "It also looked really good on college resumé." Photo by Emily Mudroncik

Budding friendships

Buddies Natalie Ostrow, junior, and Nicole Biel, senior, compare their favorite memories

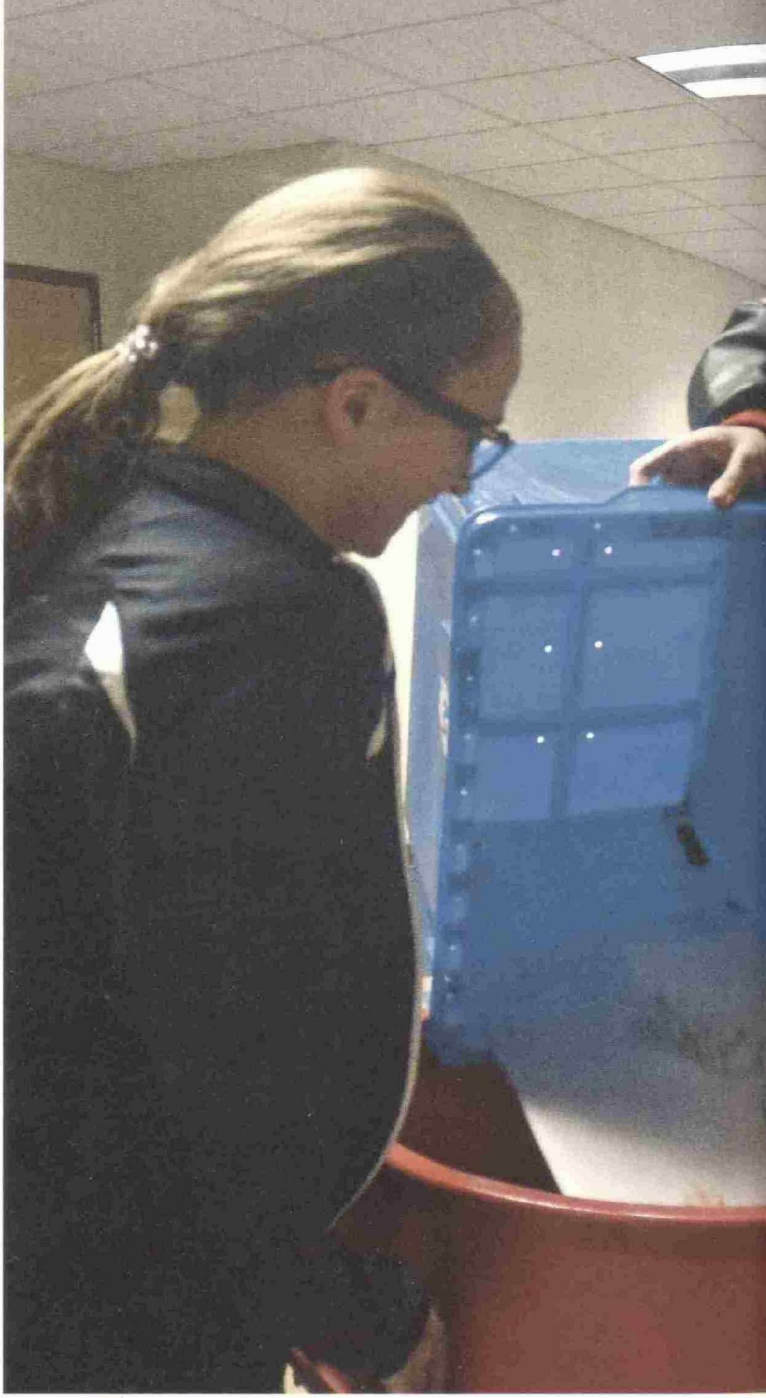
First Sight At the Best Buddies Match Meeting, members Natalie Ostrow, junior, and Nicole Biel, senior, eat snacks and sweets. During this meeting, held in the Lion's Club Pavilion in Community Park, buddies were paired together for the first time. "I found it fun to work with the Best Buddies members and help them out," Nicole said. Photo by Megan Walski

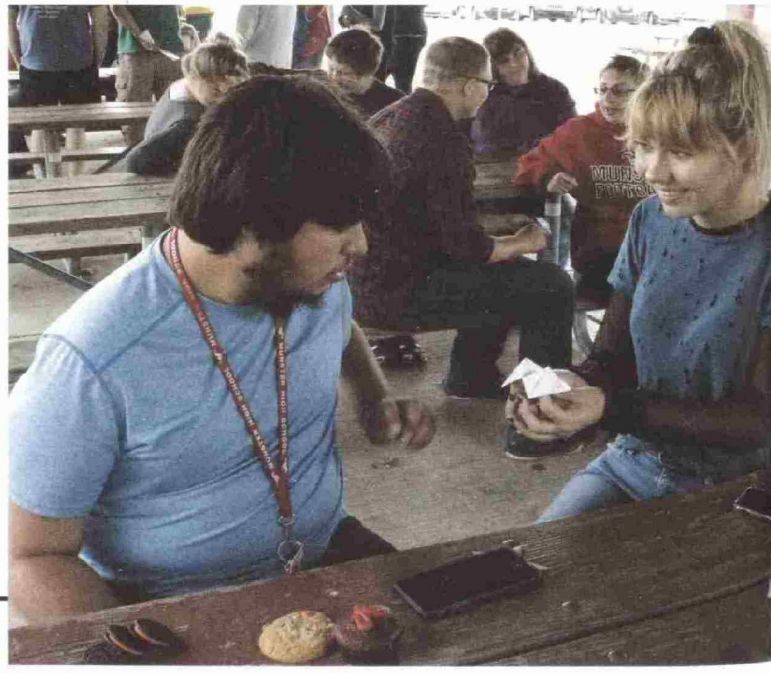
Natalie

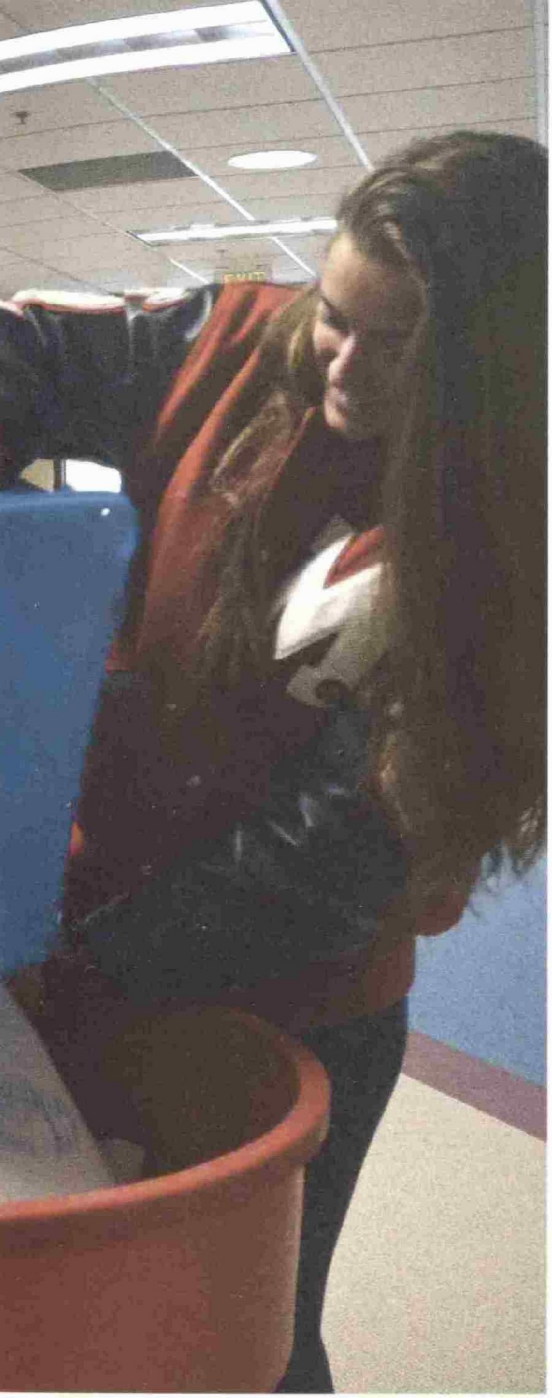
- **Color:** Pink/Purple
- **Activity:** Arts and crafts
- **School Subject:** Choir
- **Memory with Nicole:** Watching "Polar Express" at Pajama party

Nicole

- **Color:** Pink
- **Activity:** Hanging out with family and friends
- **School Subject:** English
- **Memory with Natalie:** Dressing up together for a Halloween party







HELPING
hands all around

Project X members donate their time participating in both local events and donations, and around the world

Story by Catie Gilhooly

Four hours was enough time to binge-watch Stranger Things or study for an upcoming AP Bio test. But Project X members chose to spend that time giving back to others.

"It was important for people in the community to see high school kids doing good things. Also it was our hope that students would continue volunteering beyond high school," said Ms. Leigh Ann Westland, Project X sponsor and English teacher.

Throughout the school year, Ms. Westland and club officers sought out opportunities to make the volunteering process easy for students. Even when events were scarce, students could still get their hours by making baked goods that were donated to Westminster Presbyterian Church.

"Every day the church donated to the Men's Homeless Shelter in Hammond," Abby Nita, senior and club president, said. "The donations were also a nice contribution to the cause."

However, many of the club's 250 members also spent their time volunteering outside of the suggested school events.

"Our goal was to vary how kids got their hours," Ms. Westland said. "One month do recycling. One month do something through the town's Parks and Rec program. One month donate baked goods. Helping in different ways around the community was the goal."

Other students, like Project X officer Maddy Foreit, junior, took volunteering to a new level, spending her summer building schools for children in Guatemala.

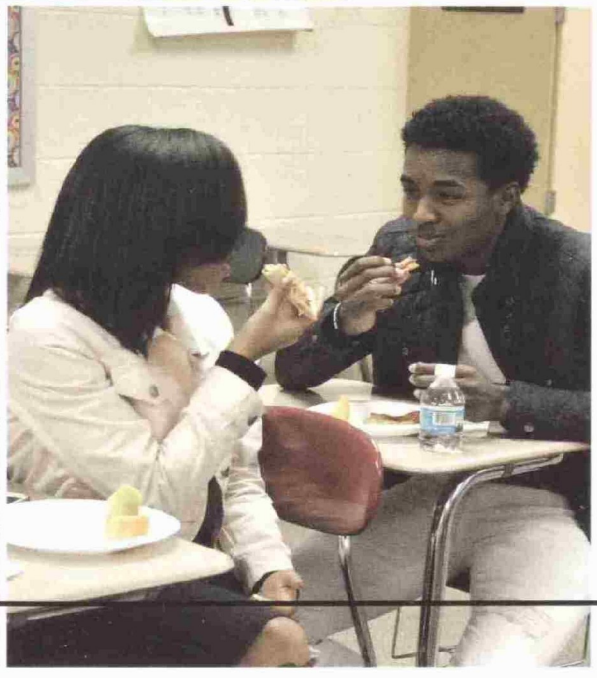
"I had always been interested in volunteering, growing up my family would do it together," Maddy said. "I found out about the organization through a friend and I had been wanting to do some kind of service trip. I met with some other girls that were part of the program and they said it was life-changing."

While in Guatemala, Maddy helped to build a new classroom and desks for the children there.

"When we first got to the school, we walked in and the kids put a show on for us. Three little girls even came up to me and started braiding my hair," Maddy said. "The show was awesome, and it melted my heart seeing all these kids dancing and singing their favorite songs."

The experience ultimately left Maddy with a changed outlook.

"I experienced a different culture and saw things that you don't see every day here," Maddy said. "It helped me to realize how grateful I was for everything in my life."



Going Green As part of their Project X duties, sophomores Emily Dato and Maddie Kozy empty the recycling outside of Mrs. Kelly Barnes' room. The two signed up to work recycling because it was an easy way to get their four hours for the month. "It was easier to empty the recycling after school," Emily said. "I didn't feel as rushed." **Fortune Friends** Meeting her buddy at the park at a Best Buddies event, Kiele Brown, senior, plays with a fortune teller with Nick Redman, '15. During this bonding experience both Kiele and Nick liked finding new things about each other through the fortune. Talking about the most recent thing she and Nick did together, Kiele said, "We went to the mall and he liked to look at the different shops." **Pizza Party** While at one of the first SADD meetings of the year, Miah Albritton, junior, and Cameron Smith, senior, eat pizza and snacks. The snacks were followed by members creating D.A.R.E. drug posters to put around the school. "It was a good club for our students to be in from any grade," Miah said. "The posters we made were a fun reminder for students to stay away from drugs and have a positive mind towards everything." Photos by Elizabeth Fonseca, Megan Wolski and Emily Mudroncik

WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

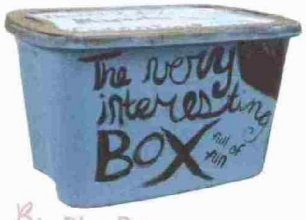
What skill did you gain from volunteer clubs?

- ☐ Acceptance — Kara Bryant, 11
- ☐ Teamwork — Lindsy Vanek, 10
- ☐ Generosity — Kate Radde, 12
- ☐ Caring — Ron Panigrahi, 10
- ☐ Altruism — Jasmine Toor, 12
- ☐ Responsibility — Clara Zuniga, 11
- ☐ Respectfulness — Jenna Adams, 11

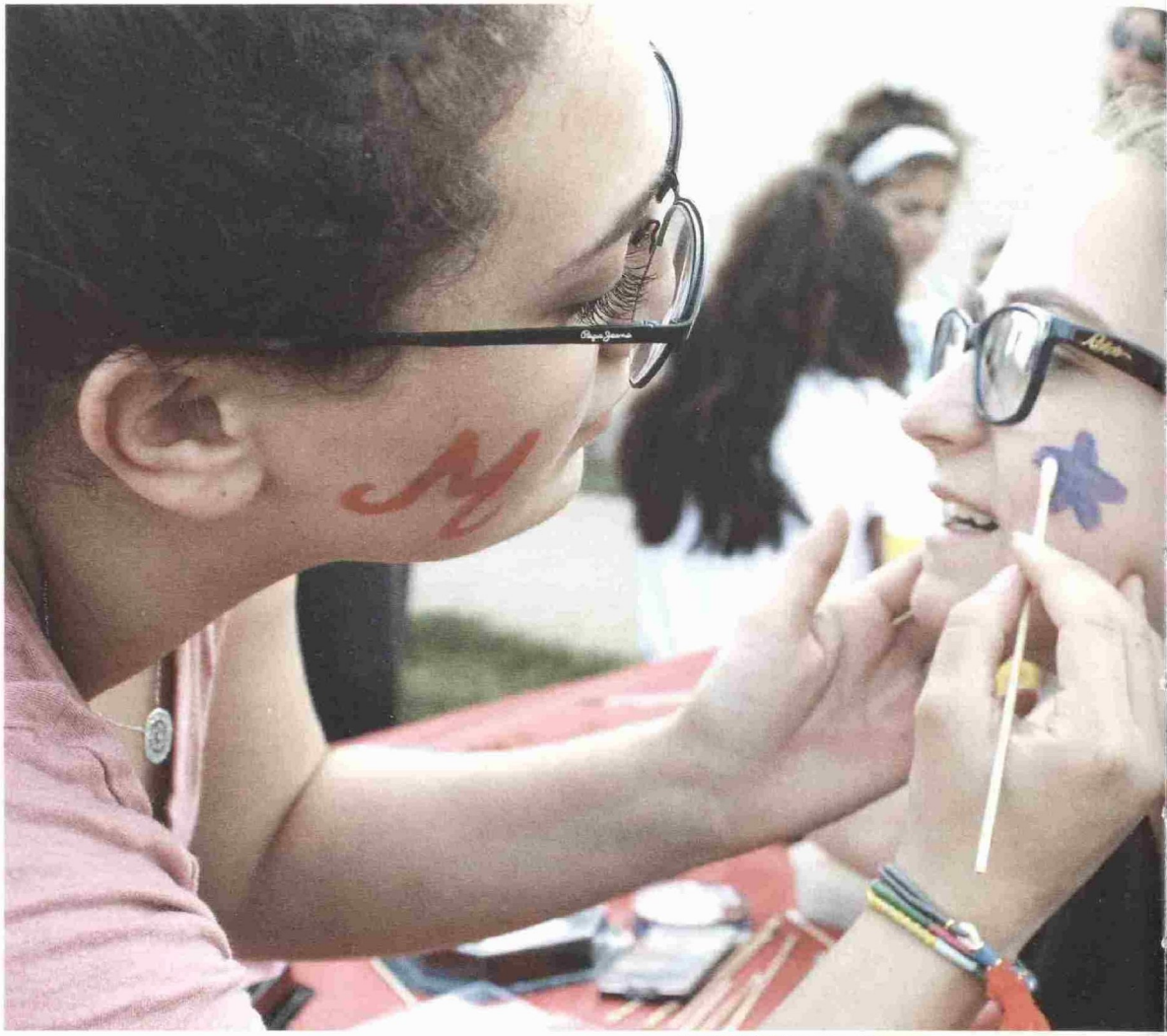
Think inside the box

Made by Mia Bissass, senior, the Creative Writing Club uses a large box to store their supplies such as snacks and story prompts

"Our box was full of our Creative Writing Club essentials."
Katie Dodgson, senior



Big Blue Box Stored in the classroom of Mr. Kevin Clyne, English teacher and Creative Writing Club sponsor, the plastic box is used for storage by the club. Photo by Micala Boyd



Star of Art At the Booster Club BBQ, Eveen Haddad, senior, paints a star on sophomore, Madeline Kozy's face. She was a apart of facepainting for Art Club and painted whatever the participant wanted. "I was concentrating on making her design perfect," Eveen, senior said.
Photo by Sydney Pastor

Leading the Way During the first Art Club meeting, sponsor Mrs. Elena Lopez explains what goes on during a typical meeting. After, they discussed different ideas and talked about what will happen in the club throughout the year. "I enjoy it because there are a lot of student interested in art that join," Mrs. Lopez said.
Photo by Sydney Pastor

WRITING goals

With a 30 day deadline, the Creative Writing Club attempts to write novels with their own original characters and plots

Story by Micala Boyd

Write 50,000 words in one month. This was the challenge the members of Creative Writing Club took on to acknowledge National Novel Writing Month (NaNoWriMo) in November.

"NaNoWriMo was a good way to motivate people to write," Katie Dodgson, senior, club member, said. "It was a shared experience where we all try to support and encourage each other in our writing."

While most club members participated, others were intimidated by the task and preferred to help their peers..

"I didn't do it because it always ended up being unplanned garbage that made no sense," Darrell Schreiner, junior, said.

Most begin planning before November.

"You had to start before November if you want a good plotline," Katie said. "We had a character building week where we could bounce ideas off of each other."

Because many seniors needed to focus on applying to college around the same time of year as NaNoWriMo, some attempted to conquer the novel writing with little to no planning.

"I was going in blind," Fayth Shutter, senior, said. "I was going to figure it out as I went because I didn't have time to do much planning."

To stay on top of the 50,000 word goal, many writers broke it up into daily goals.

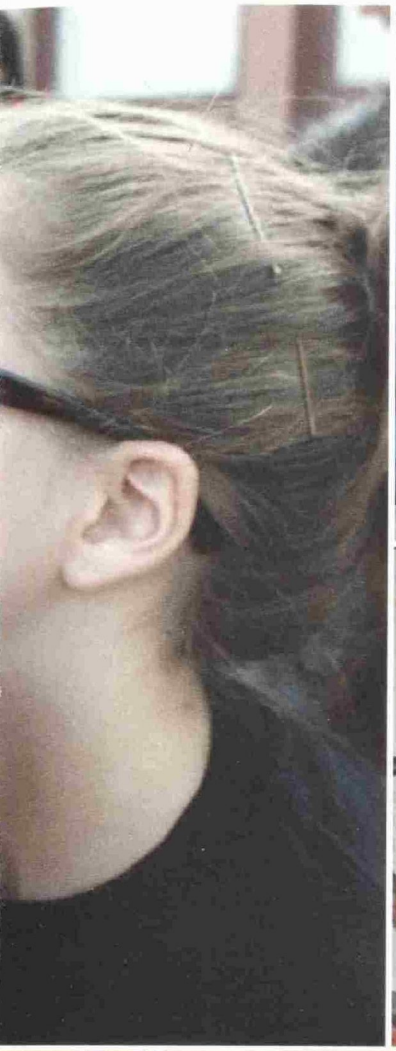
"When I got behind I tried and focus more time on the weekend," Silvia Martinez, senior, said. "Some days I wrote less than others. I used any free time I had."

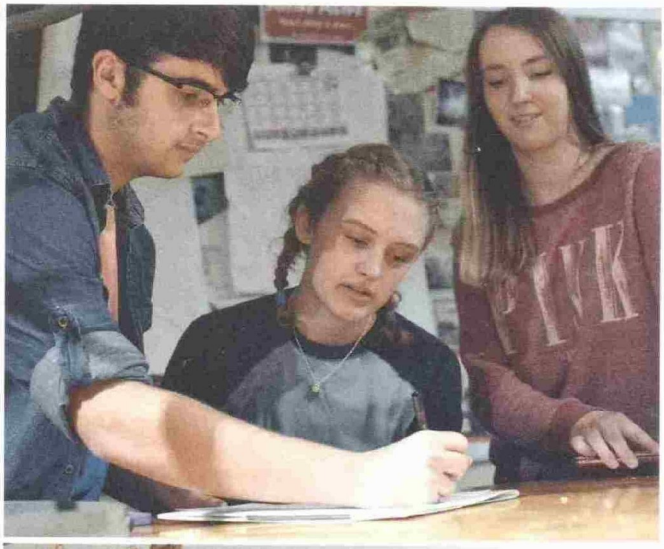
For many upperclassmen this was not their first attempt at writing a novel, for Noell Long, junior, she was on the third book of her series.

"That November I was writing the third book of my series," Noell said. "It is about the ups and downs of the life of a college student."

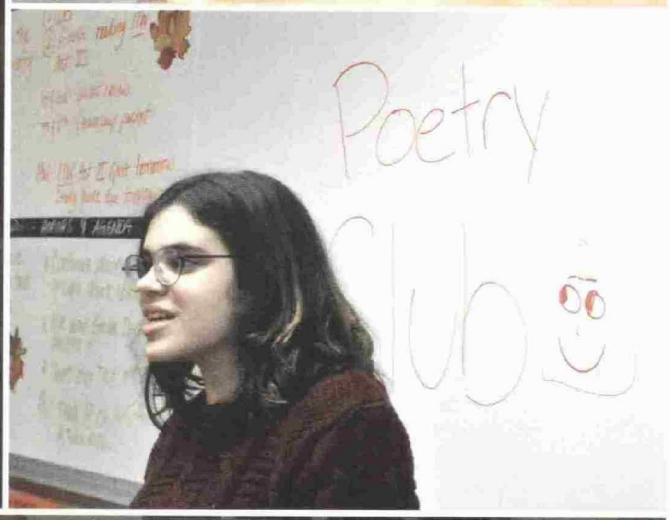
Whether it was their first novel or their third, the members of creative writing club were optimistic in taking on the challenge.

"This was a way to express myself," Silvia said. "I brought out what I really liked to do."





A Helping Hand When figuring out what supplies the art club need for their Halloween meeting, Lydia Smith, junior, collaborates ideas with Darell Screiner, junior, and Jessica Tucker, junior. They had a lot of freedom when coming up with different ideas on what to do for this meeting. "We have a lot of freedom, we meet regularly and I'm in it with my friends," Lydia said. Photo by Sydney Pastor



Leader of the Poets To start the meeting off, Mia Bissias (SC), senior, discusses what will happen during their meeting. Later, students read some of their favorite short stories to the rest of the club. "I feel like it gives everybody in it a chance to kind of speak our minds on certain subjects or talk about our feelings in a setting where we're not getting judged," Mia Bissias, senior, said. Photo by Emily Mudroncik

Spooky Stories During Creative Writing club meeting, Rebecca Dodgson, senior, shares her improvised Halloween story and Noel Long listens. Then they turned the lights off and sat in circle to share their stories using a phone flashlight. "I loved sharing our own stories because other people point out stuff that I wouldn't think about," Rebecca said. Photo by Elizabeth Fonseca

Shared Ideas While evaluating a story, Rayyan Siddiqui, senior, and Katie Dodgson, senior, discuss the different characters and events. For this meeting, they were reading different stories and discussing the elements of that story. "We mostly write, have fun, and look at different parts of literature," Rayyan said. Photo by Elizabeth Fonseca

Remember to Read and Write

Read and Write Book Club members reflect on a party they had for Ms. Twila Marsh

After the unexpected passing of Ms. Twila Marsh, Read and Write Book Club sponsor, in October, members recall what she did for their club

> "This one week we had a party because Ms. Marsh was having some tough times so we all got together, we brought some food and we watched a movie. It was just really fun. She was really excited. We made her a card. She was really touched."
>
> **Kelli Canul, senior**

> "Last December (in 2016) we did this movie night where all the members brought food and we watched the 'Princess Bride.' It was actually a really good movie. I think just the fact that we all and came and we all brought food and all participated in the activity. I think that meant a lot to her."
>
> **Haya Safi, junior**

> "The day when we had the movie night we all everyone brought a bunch of food—too much food. I remember we couldn't get the movie to work so we were all laughed and we were like, 'Oh, let's just do it on 123movies, but it was a joke because she was in charge of the Media Center."
>
> **Elizabeth Fonseca, junior**

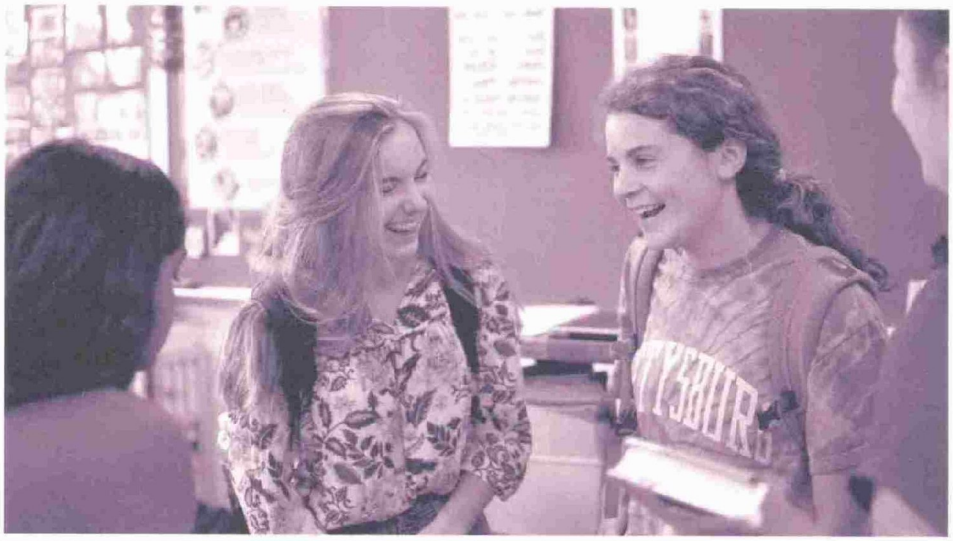
WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

What type of artist are you?

- ☑ Dramatic Writer — Chynna Vaughn, 11
- ☐ Illustrator — Andrea Lopez, 12
- ☐ Painter — Julian Rivera, 11
- ☐ Poet — Chelsea Okalocha, 12
- ☐ Makeup — Emma Ladd, 11
- ☐ Realistic Writer — Lily Leslie, 11
- ☐ Reniassance — Mia Bissias, 12

People To See

Everyday we zoomed through the north parking lot, ran through the Commons to our eight classes and changed in the locker rooms after school for basketball practice. Here, teachers taught us calculus, we ate lunch in the Mustang Food Court with our friends and our coaches got us ready for Sectionals. The line was soon drawn between the things we did and the people we met while doing so. **These were the people to see.** copy by Sydney Pastor and design by Micala Boyd



Civic Duty After a Civics Club meeting, sophomores, Grace Gozdecki and Emma Stricker stand in Mr. Don Fortner's classroom, economics teacher. The meeting was the first one of the year. "We had a really good turnout," Hansa Vavilala, senior, Civics Club secretary, said. "It was really great to see so many enthusiastic students wanting to be a part of the community." **Face to Face** During passing period, Ally Shinkan, senior, fixes her lipstick in the girls' bathroom. She used this time to do touch ups to her makeup. "The only makeup I wore was lipstick and mascara and I didn't like applying it in class because it was rude," Ally said. "The light was better in the girls' bathroom and there was a mirror." **Purple Paint** During Ms. Elena Lopez's painting class, Matt Cortez, sophomore, smears purple paint onto a canvas. **Workin' It** To pump up the seniors during spirit week, Justin Gill, senior, leads fellow seniors in a series of bicycle kicks before school began on Decades Day. His goal was to bring the whole senior class together. "We've been waiting for this day (Decades Day) all four years of high school and to finally be able to do it, you just want to go all out for it," Justin said.

Photos by Robert Young, Elizabeth Fonseca and Megan Szymanski

WHO'S ON YOUR LIST?

In one word, how would you describe the students of MHS?

- No Comment — Mia Adamus, 9
- Dedicated — Ubaid ur Mohammed, 12
- Iconic — Alexis Lindenmayer, 10
- diverse — Karina Monjaras, 12
- Wack — Josh Novosel, 12
- "Friendly." — Nadia Perdue, 9
- "Pennywise" — Demetrios Fotopoulos, 9
- Spoonfed — Alejandro Flores, 12
- Passive-Aggressive — Jack Stork, 10
- High-Pitched — Mihir Kansara, 12
- Decent — Ben Ondo, 9
- Too Smart — Vince Bravo, 12
- different — Taylor Moreno, 12
- Trouble — Mia Terek, 9
- Outgoing — Camille Gallicho, 12
- Privileged — Sarah Sanchez, 9
- Social — Bella Blackford, 12

Ebunoluwa Abioye
Mia Adamus
Mohammed Alam
Dylan Alexander
Madiha Ali
Nathan Allerding
Paulina Alvarado
Jacob Alvarez

Lucas Alvarez-Carey
Jovan Andric
Madeline Andrzejewski
Anthony Anglin
Christian Arellano
Angel Arreguin
Carolina Arroyo
Ari Arzumanian

Halle Asplund
Alexander Ayersman
Mihail Babus
Genavive Bacino
Ian Baker
Luka Balac
Richard Ballentine
John Banaszak

Emily Banaszek
Hannah Bard
Brody Barlage
Jarett Barrientez
Maria Barron
Jaida Beasley
Zachary Beerling
Karyn Beiruti

Colman Berg
Alexis Berumen
Zachary Best
Jaclyn Bevil
Avernally Bhagwandeen
Zachary Biederstadt
Bradley Bieniak
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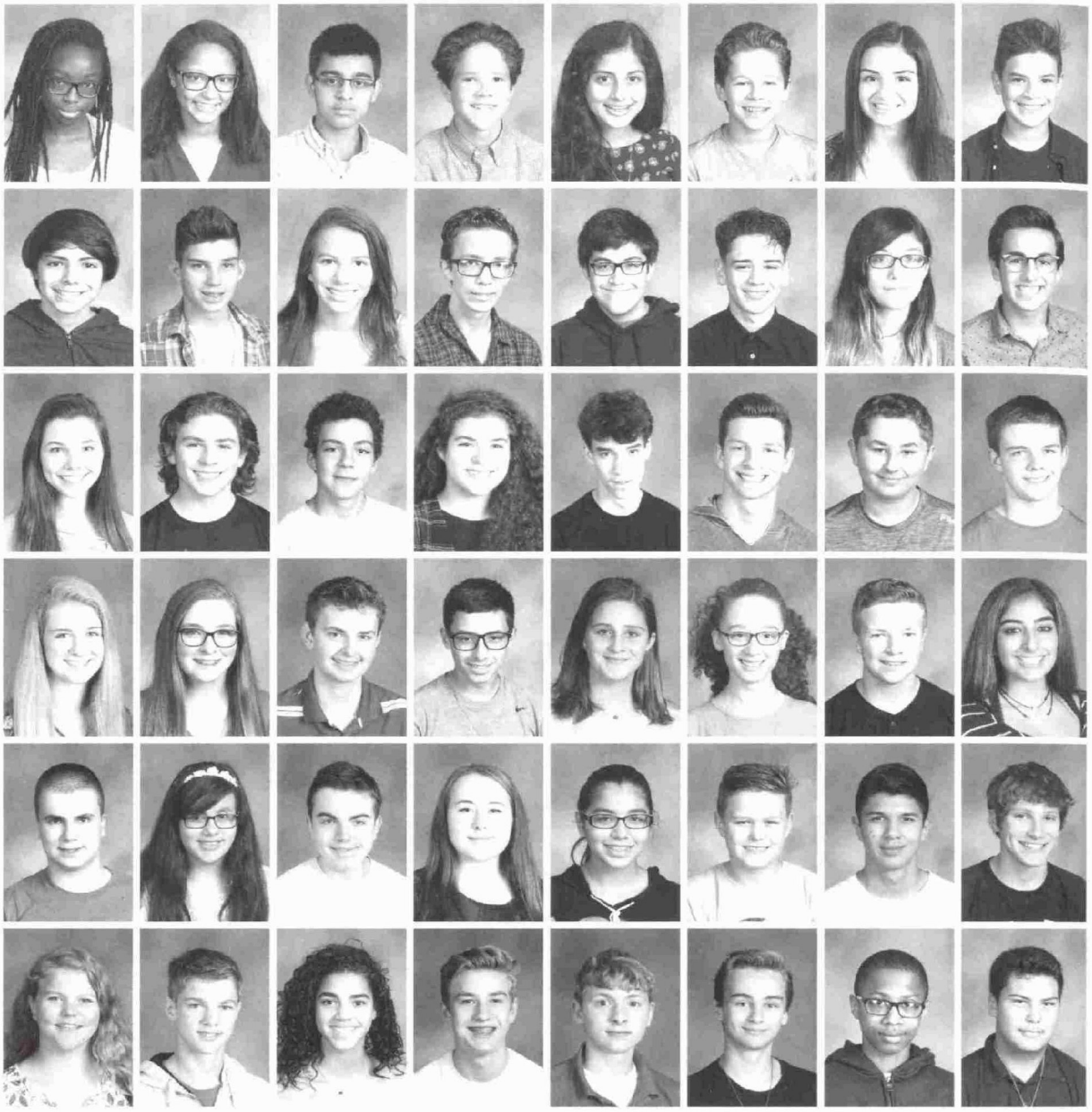


Did you see what they did Here?

Some things we all had to do, like take gym class or study for an ancient test, but some things we decided to do on our own time. Nine freshmen tell their stories of the things they did.

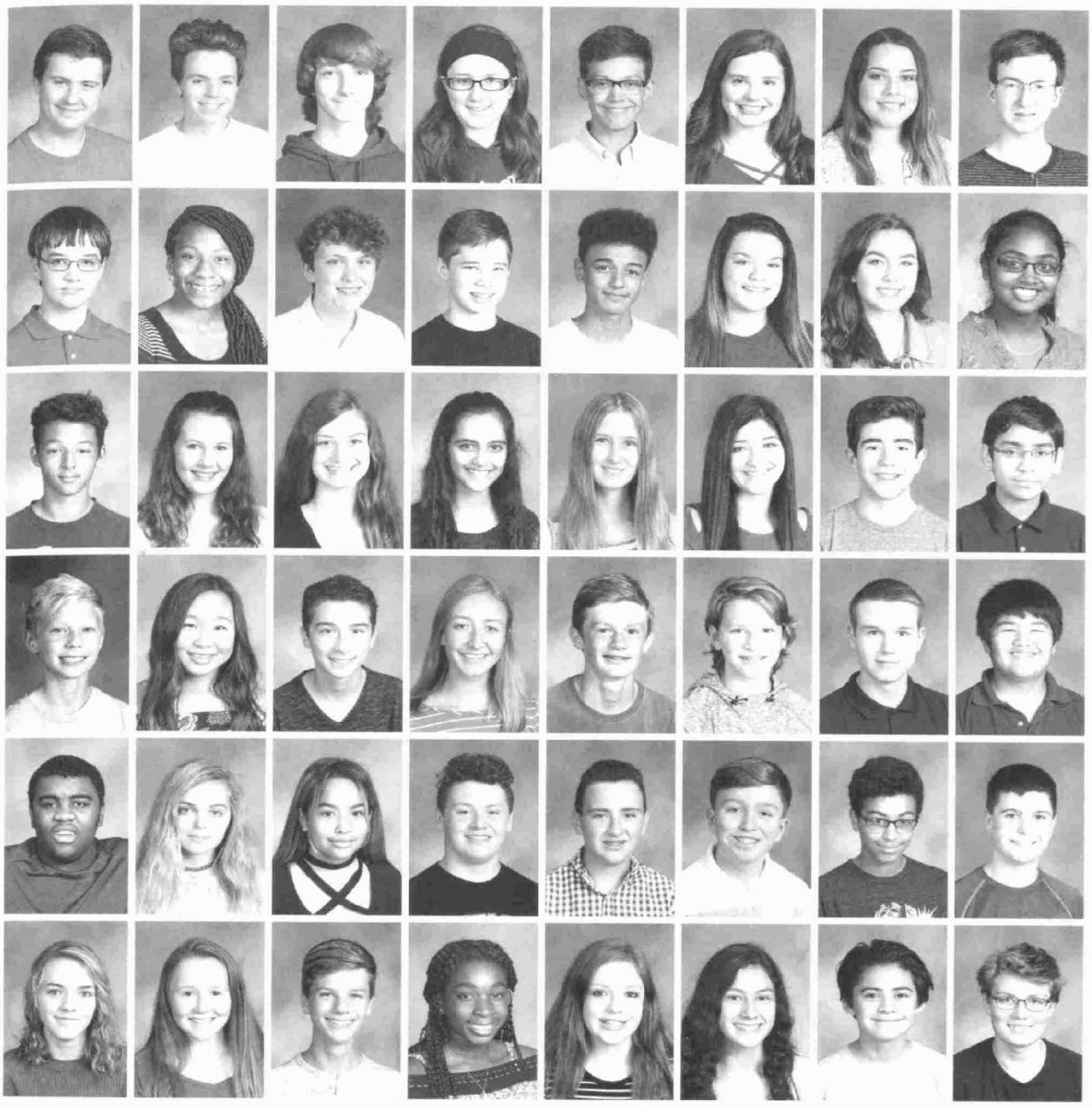
reporting by Megan Wolski and Sydney Pastor

1 Model Status

Genevieve Mrvan, freshmen, reveals what it feels like to be a model for a day

"I was very excited and it was just really chill cause I arrived with a stylist and we got coffee, so it was a really good vibe."
—Genevieve Mrvan, freshman

Liking and Loving Looking at her pictures online, Genevieve Mrvan, freshman, explains what it was like to model for the first time. Genevieve entered into a modeling competition last year and her photos ended up being selected to be put online and into posters around Navii Hair Salon. "I was truly shocked that it became a real thing on paper," Genevieve said. "If given the chance to model again, I would totally take it because it was a super fun experience."
Photo by Sydney Pastor



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Spencer Burse
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Payton Campbell
Enrique Campos
Eliana Candelaria
Olivia Candelaria
Christopher Canul

Mark Caraher
Cymphani Carey
Siobhan Carroll
Ethan Castillo
Cesar Castro
Marisa Chavez
Aubrey Chelich
Cynthia Chockalingam

Adrian Christian
Catherine Clements
Dori Clousing
Shivani Collur
Courtney Companik
Courtney Conroyd
David Cordova
Daniel Cornejo

Jacob Corner
Clarisa Cortez
Mason Cortopassi
Carina Crisan
Michael Cundiff
Lance Dabrowski
Lucas Dalla Costa
Jose Luis Gabri David

Charles Davidson
Rachel Dawson
Ariana Dehayes
Zachary Del Nagro
Jonathon Delis
Michael Dempsey
Curtis Dennis
Tyler Devenny

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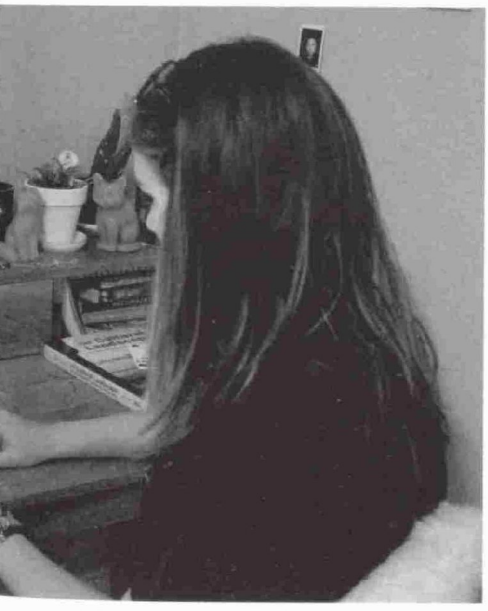
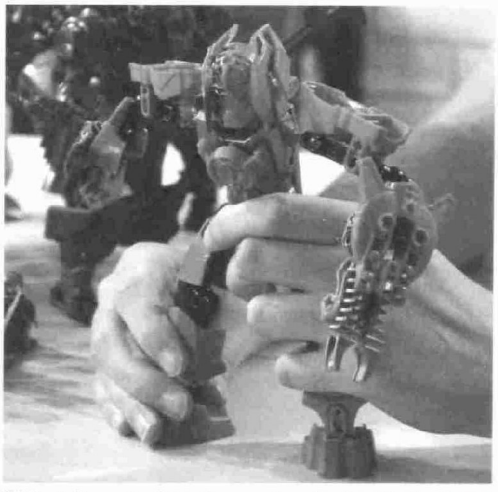




2 Stop Motion: Start Building

A behind the scenes look with Graham Mikrut, freshman, at how he makes stop-motion lego videos

Ideas from Scratch Posing one of the items in his set, Graham Mikrut, freshmen, talks about how he got into stop-motion movie making in his free time. He started making these videos when he was ten years old and had some free time to make something new and exciting. "I felt accomplished and a little nervous of what people would have thought about how it would turn out," Graham said.
Photo by Sydney Pastor

"What I wanted to do was to start a kind of stop-motion club so that everyone could work together on the same project and just have fun."
—Graham Mikrut, freshman

WHO'S ON YOUR LIST?

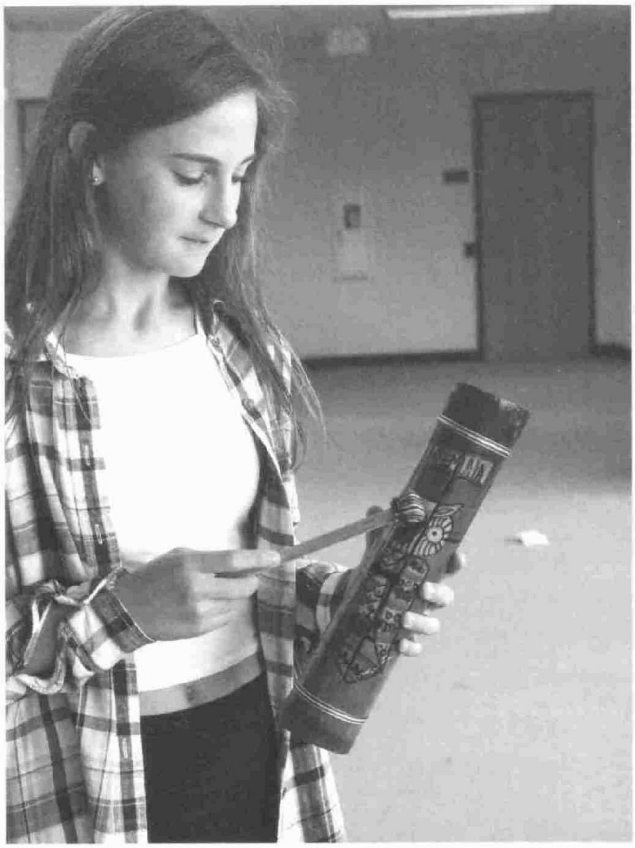
If you were stuck on a desert island, who would you want to be stuck with?

- ☐ My mom — Kyle Bunyon, 9
- ☐ Chuck Norris — Luka Balac, 9
- ☐ Katy Perry — Eliana Candelaria, 9
- ☐ Bernie Sanders — Demetrios Fotopolous, 9
- ☐ Pablo Escobar — Nio Lekic, 9
- ☐ Bear Grylls — Ethan Costillo, 9
- ☐ Jeremy Wade — Dori Clousing, 9

3 Guatemalan Rhythm

Alice Foley, freshman, shows a unique souvenir and tells about her experience in Guatemala

"It was interesting to see how they (the Guatemalans) live and they live with so much less than us, but they were just as happy."
—Alice Foley, freshman



A Trip To Remember Looking back on her trip to Guatemala for volunteer work, Alice Foley, freshman, shows an instrument she picked up while she was there. During the trip, Alice and her family were kept very busy doing volunteer work through Hearts In Motion. "The last day out of the country, we went to Antigua just to be a tourist and I found this at one of the places," Alice said. Photo by Sydney Pastor

Mahsa Farahani
Sophia Farias
Elise Fedrick
George Fischer
Owen Flaig
Anna Flynn
Megan Flynn
Vincent Foerster

Alice Foley
Andrew Forszt
Demetrios Fotopoulos
Savannah Frazier
Andrew Gajewski
Ariel Gallardo
Priscilla Gallardo
Jonathan Gallegos

Anay Gandhi
Julia Garcia
Marina Gasich
Jack Gauderman
Ashley Glover
Hector Gomez
Logan Gomez
Leslie Gonzalez

Keegan Gorang
Aaron Gorny
Abbey Gorny
Taylor Graham
Cooper Grapenthien
Benjamin Greiner
Tyler Groen
Devin Gronkiewicz

Emily Guerrero
Parkyr Guiton
Monica Gutierrez
Hunter Hamer
Dane Hamilton
Ethan Hansen
Eric Harvath
Joshua Harvey

4 Soup for the Soul

Adrian Christian, freshman, tells how he has a changed outlook on volunteering in soup kitchens

"It was cool seeing all the people getting food and I really had fun while doing it."
—Adrian Christian, freshman

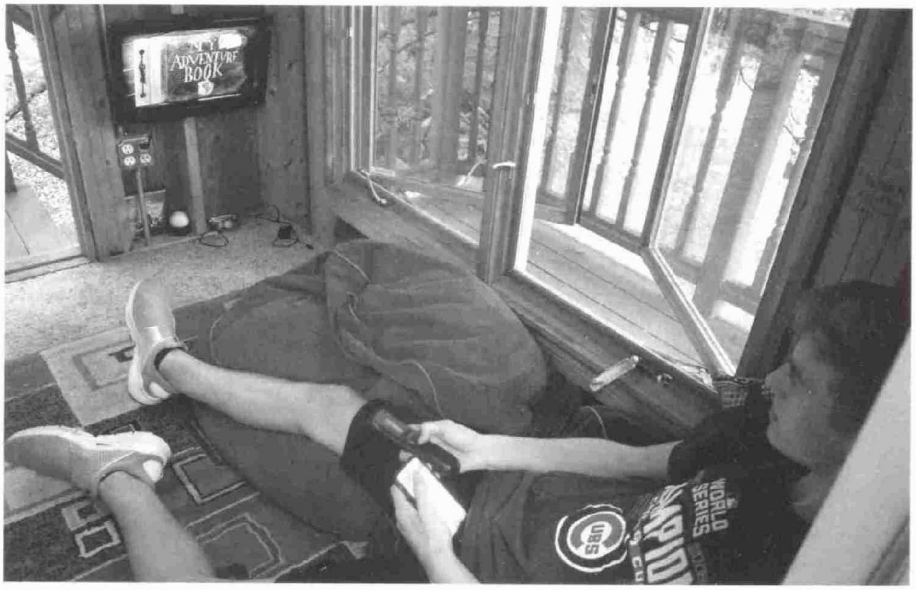
The Giving Hands Reflecting on his experience, Adrian Christian, freshmen, holds out soup just like he did when he volunteered at a homeless shelter in Chicago. After donating his time to help others, Adrian received a different outlook on giving. "I felt like I was giving back for sure," Adrian said.
Photo by Sydney Pastor

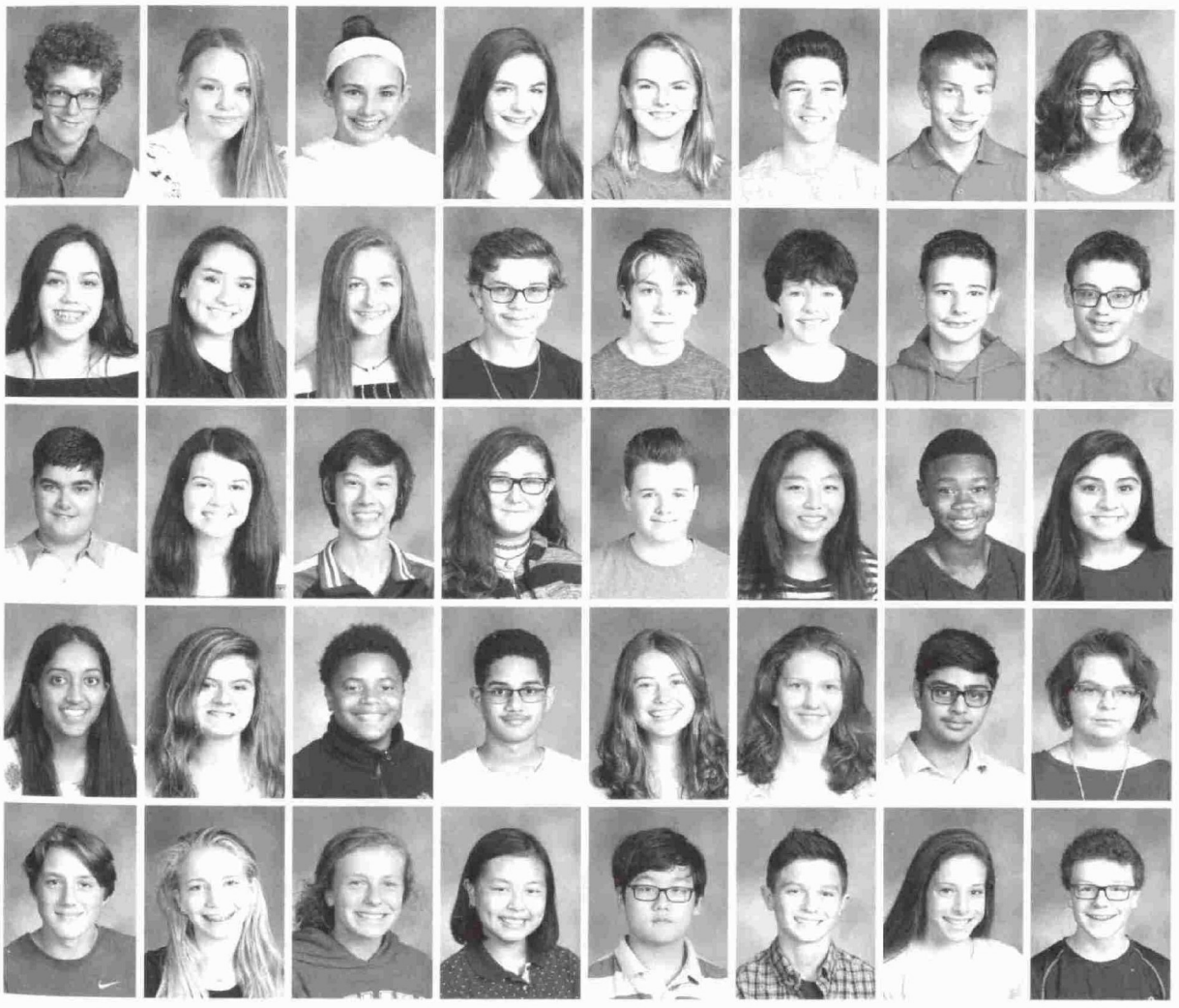
5 One With Nature

Clayton Bubash, freshman, spends summer among trees

"In the summer I'd say I spent more time up there than in my own room."
—Clayton Bubash, freshman

Rise Above In his treehouse, Clayton Bubash, freshman, watches the movie "Up." It was built six years ago by his dad, and he used it this summer more than ever. "I came here in the summer a lot and one time I even slept in here for a week," Clayton said. Photo by Victoria Reardon





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Stephen Heritage
Claudia Hernandez

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Emma Herring
Joseph Hillegonds
Noah Hinds
Grace Hoehl
Gabriel Hoekstra
Corbin Hoffman

Ian Horn
Gianna Hough
Francis Hovland
Adriana Hudak
Kevin Hudson
Joanne Hwang
Ameer Igue
Waaniya Irfan

Shriya Iyer
Samantha Jenkins
Donte Johnson
Sean Johnson
Rebecca Jones
Holly Kaim
Rajiv Kalluri
Anastasia Kapustina

Keith Kaszycki
Abigail Kavanaugh
Carson Kekelik
Maya Kenny
Ubin Kim
Gavin Kinsella
Adalyn Klawitter
Nathan Knutson

WHO'S ON YOUR LIST?

If you were stuck on a desert island, who would you want to be stuck with?

- ☐ My Dog Cookie — Jordan Duff, 9
- ☐ Tom Cruise — Gram Mikrut, 9
- ☐ Will Smith — Cesar Castro, 9
- ☐ Lil Boat — Gabie Herrera, 9
- ☐ Kate Upton — Richard Ma, 9
- ☐ Walter Payton — Karl Larson, 9
- ☐ Jesus Christ — Carina Crisan, 9

6 Scout Battle

Daniel Cornejo, freshman, strives for a higher rank in Boy Scouts

"During the fall we did a popcorn and taffy apple sale, where all the money from the sales went to benefits our troop. We were constantly expanding our skills base and knowledge."
- Daniel Cornejo, freshman

Rivalry Working towards his goal of an Eagle Scout, Daniel Cornejo, freshman, shows off his sash full of Boy Scout merit badges. He earned a total of 41 badges along with his best friends in 542. "Being a Boy Scout was important to me because it taught me and continued to teach me basic life skills," Daniel said. "For example, I learned how to deal with money when I earned the personal management merit badge."
Photo by Megan Wolski

Joseph Kobelansky
Ethan Korwek
James Kotfer
James Krieg
Savannah Kunas
Aidan Kunka
Kevin Kvasnica
Max Ladd

Donovan Lambert
Krystal Landeros
Karl Larson
Samuel Latinovich
Alyssa Lebron
Niko Lekic
Kayla Lewis
Mingrui Li

Jeremiah Lovett
Ava Lukacsek
Kortlynd Lukowski-Foss
Richard Ma
Paul Maldonado
Molly Manion
Natalie Mansour
Blake Marcotte

Joseph Marcus
Maxwell Marich
Kaitlyn Martin
Presley Martinez Deyoung
Chris Mathew
Michael McDunn
Todd McKechnie
Avery McKnight

Benjamin Mellon
Cayleb Mendoza
Alexander Meraz
Owen Meyers
Graham Mikrut
Zoey Miles
Connor Mitchell
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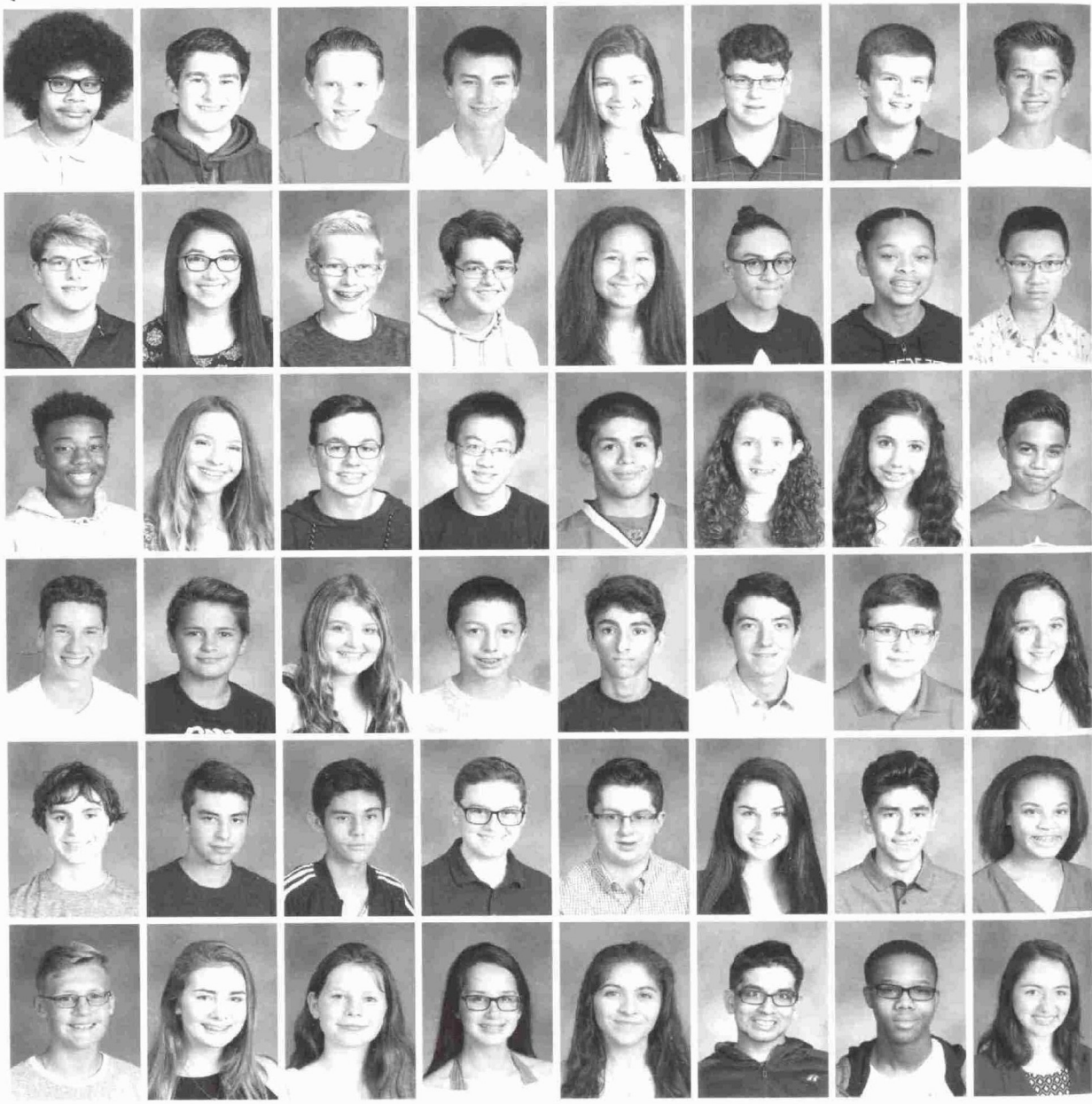

7 All Patched Up

Molly Manion, freshman, tells what Girl Scouts means to her

"Recently Girl Scouts helped contribute toward a Nanotechnology competition at Northwestern University, SAT practice testing, and volunteered at the homeless shelter in Hammond"

- Molly Manion, freshman

Girl Power A long time member of the girl scouts, Molly Manion, freshman, shows the patches she earned throughout the years and what they mean to her. She explained how much work it was to receive these patches and why she loved what she did. "To me, Girl Scouts was not just for little kids and selling cookies," Molly said. "It was about empowering girls to become future leaders and helping communities."

Photo by Megan Wolski

Nana Nnuro-Frimpong
Stephanie Nossem
Claire Nowak
Rylee O`Mara
Kailyn Oganovich
Juan Olivencia-Duque
Christopher Olivieri
Taylor Olmstead

Benjamin Ondo
Afamefuna Oniah
Ethan Orange
Catherine Ornelas
Edward Ortiz
Prisilla Ortiz
Sirius Ortiz
William Pacurar

Ashley Padilla
Joshua Pagan
Jenai Panora
Marisa Paredes
Devshree Patel
Jigar Patel
Sofia Pavlic
Gabriel Pedrick

Payton Pegue
Brant Peloquin
Myra Peralta
Nadia Perdue
Aaron Perez
Christopher Perez
Emma Phillips
Ethan Pierce

Lillian Plebanski
Noah Poole
Preston Powe
Emma Powell
Avery Pratt
Santino Presutti
Salma Prince
Ava Quasney

Caleb Quinones
Olivia Quinones
Regan Qunell
Vincent Qunell
Emily Rakich
Linda Ramirez
Kylie Reed
Sarah Resch

Tyler Reyna
Linda Riley
Melanie Riordan
Aubrey Rivera
Sophia Rivera
Isabel Rodriguez
Samuel Rodriguez
Ethan Roe

Wesley Roe
Bryan Rosales
Emilio Rosales
Isaiah Rosinski
Danna Safi
Diana Saganeanu
Lana Salahieh
Hannah Salamanca

Eric Salazar
Sarah Sanchez
Srishti Sarkar
Dana Savarino
Bryce Schaum
Samantha Sellers
Safia Shad
Ananya Sharma

Carmani Shedrich
Ariel Shoriak
Emily Shu
Surajpal Singh
Vanessa Situ
Sydney Skrobot
James Smith
Brett Soeka

Katelyn Sons
Athanasios Sotiropoulos
Alexis Soukchanh
Tiara Sparks
Peyton Specht
Anna Speckhard
Selma Srour
Abigail Steffen

Eriana Stevens
Evan Stevens
James Stewart
Mackenzie Stricklin
Hailey Sullivan
Harper Swope
Andrew Tabaczynski
Daniel Tabaczynski

WHO'S ON YOUR LIST?

If you were stuck on a desert island, who would you want to be stuck with?

- ☑ Zac Efron — Clarisa Cortez, 9
- ☐ Kim Jong Un — Corbin Hoffman, 9
- ☐ A cow — Shriya Iyer, 9
- ☐ Austin Mathews — Tyler Green, 9
- ☐ A plane — Emma Herring, 9
- ☐ Donovan Lambert — Aiden Kunka, 9
- ☐ Nobody — Raymond Li, 9

6 Fresh as it Gets

Cynthia Chockalingam, freshman, takes matters into her own hands and started a garden in her very own backyard this past summer

"My parents really started teaching me how to garden the past few years. My family and I enjoyed having fresh fruits we used for everyday meals."
-Cynthia Chockalingam, freshman

Ground Up Each summer, Cynthia Chockalingam, freshman, starts a garden with her family. Using organic gardening soil, they loved to have fresh fruit and vegetables available. "Most of the vegetables from last season would still be good and my family continued to use them throughout the year," Cynthia said. "It was easy to have the garden as long as you were consistent and dedicated to watering it."
Photo by Megan Wolski

Benjamin Talley
Safaa Tarakey
Caeden Taylor
Mia Terek
Alexia Tirado
Caden Tomko
Andrew Torres
Lourdes Torres

Nadia Torres
Irene Tsakopoulos
Leonidas Tsirtsis
Cortney Tubbs
Dane Van Ghunt
Maureen Van Matre
Rachel Vanek
Reese Vanek

Mariah Vasquez
Cynthia Vazquez
Meagan Venema
Caitlin Wallace
Aric White
Delaney White-Gonzalez
Derrick Wiening
Jaelyn Williams

Noah Wilson
Najah Windham
Andrew Wittkamp
Evan Wittkamp
Brink Wolak
Patrick Zakarias
Rayhan Zaman
Nikolaos Zaromitidis

Fenry Zhou
Kayla Ziel
Hannah Zukley
Clara Zuniga
Hailey Zvonik

Not Pictured

Morgan Echols
Emma Miller

7 Fishing for Fun

Weekend fishing is what Leo Tsirtsis, freshman, does on his off days

"When I had time off from football and I didn't have any homework, I usually tried to go visit my grandparent's house to fish."
—Leo Tsirtsis, freshman

Calm Waters Pole in hand, Leo Tstirtsis, freshman, enjoys a Sunday morning fishing trip at a pond near Cabelas. Although he did not catch any fish, he spent his free time from school doing what he loved best. "Ben Shelton (senior) and I were there for almost two hours and didn't even catch anything, " Leo said. "It was enjoyable though because it was a big stress reliever from school." Photo by Megan Wolski

We have better things To Do

Ten sophomores talk about the things they did when they weren't studying for classes or running to practice.

reporting by Micala Boyd and Catie Gilhooly

1 Wrist Candy

After buying beads and string from a local craft store, Skylar Van Ermen, sophomore, makes trendy beaded bracelets for her and her friends

"Everyone started making them and it looked really cool and fun. I liked how you could be creative with it and make it say whatever you wanted."
—Skylar Van Ermen, sophomore

Broken Beads Sitting near the athletic office, Skylar Van Ermen, sophomore, strings beads to make a bracelet. She broke her arm cheerleading; however, it didn't impact her ability to make bracelets. "I didn't know if this (trend) would stay around too much longer," Skylar said. "I felt like it was just one of the fads that goes away really fast." Photo by Micala Boyd

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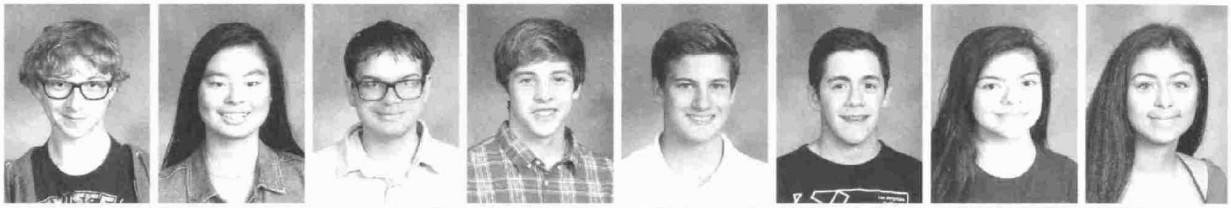

Isabel Alvarez
Serena Alvarez
Marco Amatulli
Justin Anderson
Sabrina Andrade
Bianca Andrzejewski
Alisandra Annunziata
Gillian Archer

Max Arnold
Elijah Atkins
Luke Aune
Diana Ayala
Christopher Badali
Emily Badynski
Nicole Baginski
Maya Baker

Jayda Banks
Lucas Barath
Maxwell Barath
Jacobus Barnard
Kyle Basile
Alyssa Bass
David Bastos
Joshua Batur

Amanda Beaudouin
Gillian Bedenk
Jason Bensema
Steven Biegel
Benjamin Blaesing
Maria Blaesing
Faith Blair
Riley Boudreau

2 It's An Irish Thing

Since the age of 3, Zoe O'Shaughnessy, sophomore, has been travelling around the region Irish dancing

"The ultimate goal was to get to the highest level, which was called Open Championship. I was close, but I was working to get there someday."
—Zoe O'Shaughnessy, sophomore

Colors and Curls Dressed in her competition costume, Zoe O'Shaughnessy, sophomore, stands in ready position. The costume includes the colorful dress, a curled wig and self-tanned legs. "The whole process before a feis (competition) usually took about 2 hours," Zoe said. "It was long, but it was necessary. You had to look good and stay in style to stand out to the judges."
Photo by Elizabeth Fonseca

3 Stepping in Style

Marco Amatulli, sophomore, collects several shoes from different brands and designers

Shoe Game Strong While sitting in his room, Marco Amatulli, sophomore, takes inventory of his shoes. He owns around 70 pairs, including Yeezy's and Gucci slides. "There were a few that I didn't wear, just because you couldn't find them anywhere else," Marco said. "I really only wore those when I went to events like SneakerCon."
Photo by Emily Mudroncik

"I thought more guys were collecting shoes because a lot of people based you off your shoe game."
—Marco Amatulli, sophomore

Emma Bowers
Isabella Bowers
Michael Bowers
Emma Bozic
Imani Brown
John Brum
Lilia Brunetti
Mikala Bryant

Erin Bryce
Samantha Buffano
Max Buka
Zoe Burnett
Joseph Burns
Maddison Butler
Maguire Butler
Maryelizabeth Calgaro

Stephany Camacho
Brandan Campbell
Steven Campbell
Lorena Campos
Fabian Carlos
Xander Carrillo
Annalicia Carrillo-Luna
Christian Carter

Ariana Casas
Patricia Castro
Matthew Certa
Caroline Chael
Michael Chamberlain
Melina Chioros
Aidan Chism
Olivia Choros

Cooper Christiansen
Stephanie Cipowski-Smith
Gavin Clark
Mason Clark
Mollie Clark
Daniel Clements
David Cohen
Fotios Collaros

Natalia Coronel-Espinal
Matthew Cortez
Shannon Coughlin
John Cronin
Ava Cundiff
Adam Daniels
Emily Dato
Angelina Davis

Joshua Davis
Melody Deering
Jamie Dejoan
Giovanni Del Real
Jonathan Del Real
Maria Delis
Edward Demars
Aaron Diaz

Roberto Diaz
Nolan Dicarlo
Skyler Dickeson
George Dimopoulos
Benjamin Dodge
Jason Donovan
Michael Dywan
Emily Eisha

Alayna Eismin
Nicholas Eng
Noah Escamilla
Ruben Espinosa
Trinity Espinosa
Fernando Estrada
Kemper Fane
Noel Fary

Mira Fefferman
Donald Fesko
Anya Fitzpatrick
Anne Marie Foreit
Joshua Foreit
Jalenn Fortier
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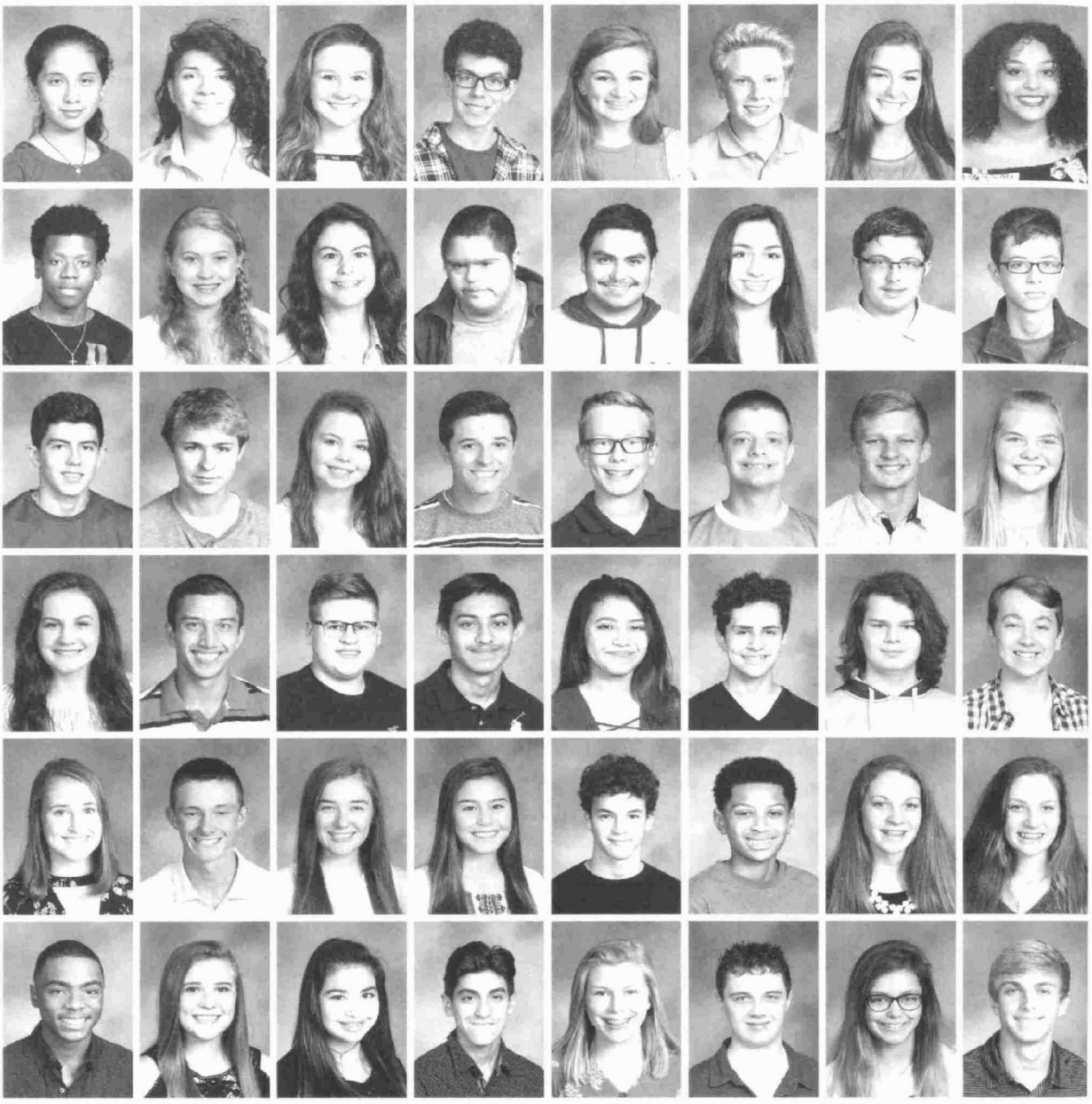


WHO'S ON YOUR LIST?

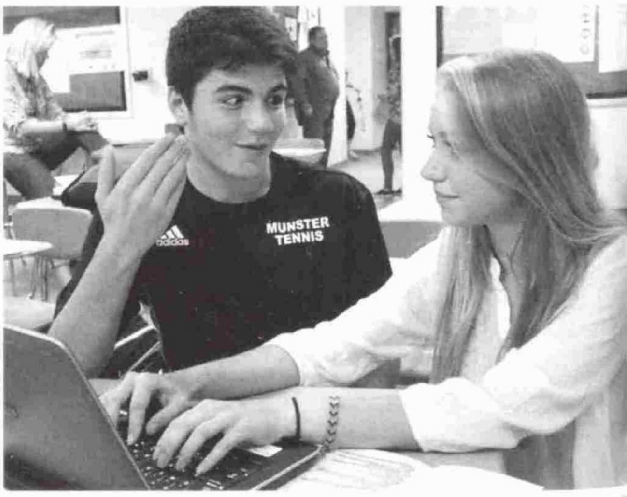
If you were stuck on a desert island, who would you want to be stuck with?

- ☐ Quavo from "Migos" — Erianna Sims, 10
- ☐ Chance the Rapper — Emma Bowers, 10
- ☐ BTS — Mercedez Williams, 10
- ☐ Dwayne Johnson — Victor Mancha, 10
- ☐ Kanye West — Collin Vukadinovich, 10
- ☐ Chris Pratt — Ilija Manojlovic, 10
- ☐ Wiz Khalifa — Tarun Girn, 10

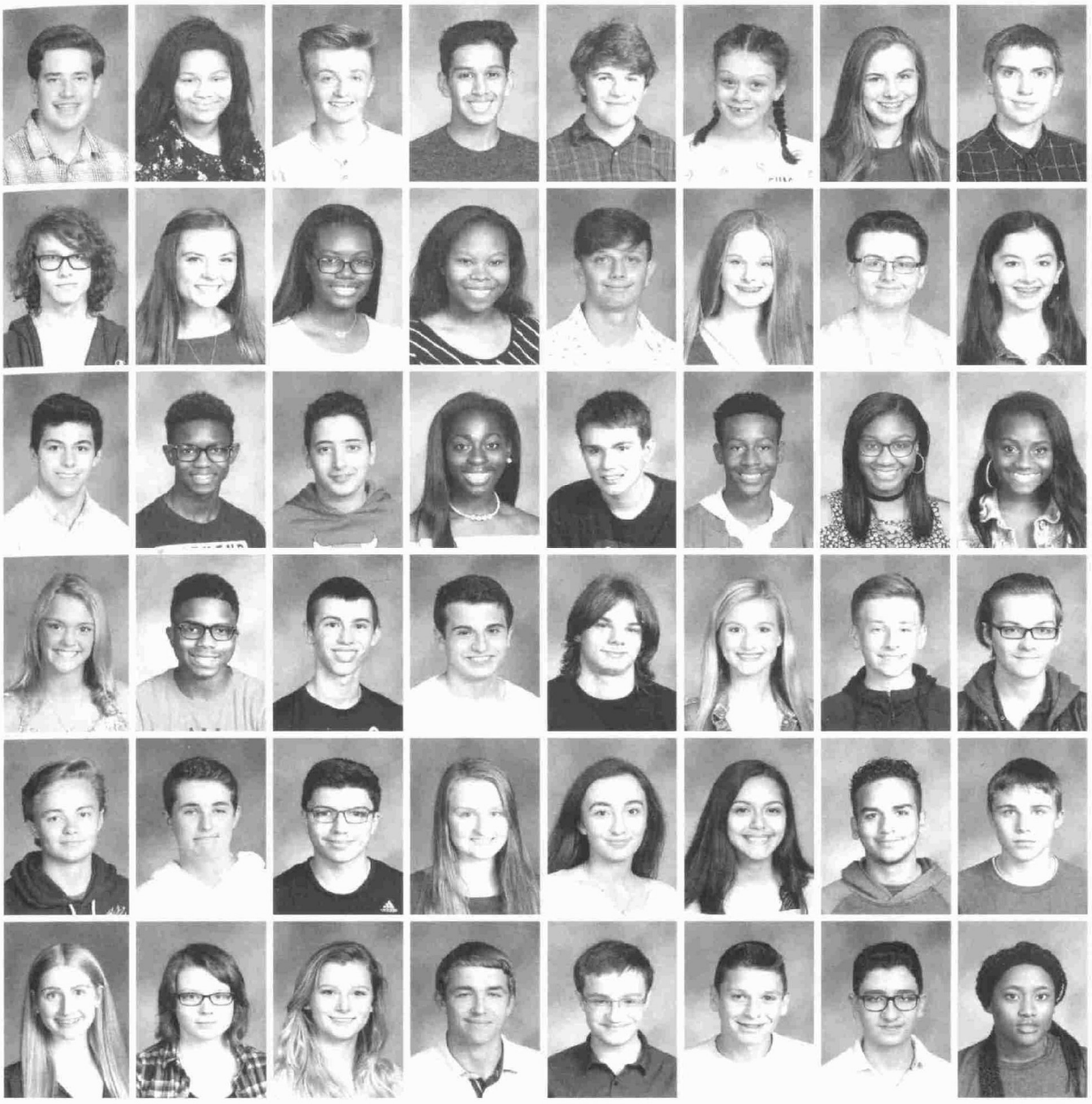
4 Back to Back

After receiving a scoliosis operation, Alyssa Nahnsen, sophomore, gave up sports and gains her to opportunity to discover new clubs like Speech and Debate

"I had been a swimmer my whole life and ran Track and Cross Country. After the surgery, I had a big loss of flexibility and because my range of motion was limited there was a lot of things I wasn't capable of doing. I wasn't allowed to do sports for six months." —Alyssa Nahnsen, sophomore



Cutting Down At an after school Speech and Debate practice, sophomores Sami Muhrez and Alysssa Nahnsen work on their piece. They cut down a 50-minute long play into a 10-minute long script. "Speech helped balance out my sports with something more academic," Alyssa said. Photo by Micala Boyd



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Benjamin Goldman
Hannah Gossman
Grace Gozdecki
Zachary Grabelle

Bradley Gregson
Madilyn Griegel
Kayla Gruber
Jaelyn Guiton
Brenden Guthrie
Elizabeth Hanas
Benjamin Hand
Sophie Hand

Riley Harris
Jayden Harvey
Salaheldean Hassan
Trinitee Hassan
Robert Hawk
Deven Hawkins
Camryn Hayes
Jorianna Hazel

Grace Helmer
Amir Henderson
Luke Hermansen
Nicolas Hernandez
Ty Hesterman
Emma Higgason
Charles Hofferth
Nikolai Hoogewerf

Shane Hoogewerf
William Hoop
Nicholas Ibarra
Clarissa Iwachiw
Mirela Jeknic
Dayanara Jimenez
Bradley Jimenez Medina
Justin Joens

Hailey Johns
Amanda Jonquet
Lindsey Katalinic
Paul Katona
Timothy Kaufman
Kyle Kaufmann
Abdulaziz Kehail
Imani Kemp

5 No Horsing Around

Equestrian Hailey Johns, sophomore, works toward her future in competitive riding

"It had become my lifelong passion. It was a college route for me, and potentially a career route. I just loved it."
—Hailey Johns, sophomore

Go for Gold Colorful ribbons highlight the achievements of Hailey Johns, sophomore, in her horseback riding career. She and her horse of two and a half years qualified for the ASPCA Maclay Finals. "Being qualified was a really big deal for us," Hailey said. "We had to qualify for the regional, which was not something people usually did their first year." Photos by Elizabeth Fonseca

WHO'S ON YOUR LIST?

If you were stuck on a desert island, who would you want to be stuck with?

- ☐ twin sister Sydney — Hannah Foster, 10
- ☐ Channing Tatum — Emily Malave, 10
- ☐ Tom Hanks — Alex Kojich, 10
- ☐ Obama — Alayna Elsmin, 10
- ☐ Beyoncé — Imani Kemp, 10
- ☐ Billy Mays — Michael Van Deursen, 10
- ☐ Pingu — Robert Tengdin, 10

6 Weekly Group Gather

Every Sunday evening Tim Giannini, sophomore, meets with his youth group

"I have been going to church to (Ridge United Methodist) since I was a kid. As you grow up you have the chance of joining the youth group. It was an important part of me getting to know some of the things in my community." —Tim Giannini, sophomore

Dinner On a Sunday evening, Tim Giannini, sophomore, and Sam Smolinski, junior, eat dinner with their youth group. They ate hamburgers, chips and donuts. "It was a good chance to get to know other people," Tim said. "We are there to be serious and have conversations but we are also there to just have a fun time and enjoy each other." Photo by Micala Boyd

Connor King
Eric King
Tyler Kisala
Adam Klaich
Alex Kojich
Creighton Kooy
Layna Kounelis
Madeline Kozy

Tyler Krucina
Daniel Kruse
Krishna Lakshmanamurthy
Chloe Lambert
Samuel Lash
Euna Lee
Lillian Lemke
Phillip Lemke

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Evan Lieser
Alexis Lindenmayer
Leonard Linn
Antonia Linnane
Myles Lockett-Peterson

Daniel Magana
Valeria Magana
Emily Malave
Robert Maldonado
Victor Mancha
Juwan Mann
Ilija Manojlovic
Andrew Manous

Serena Marsh
Keith Martin
Isaiah McCriston
Delaney McGinty
Caleb McKeever
Antonio Medina
Alyssa Meegan
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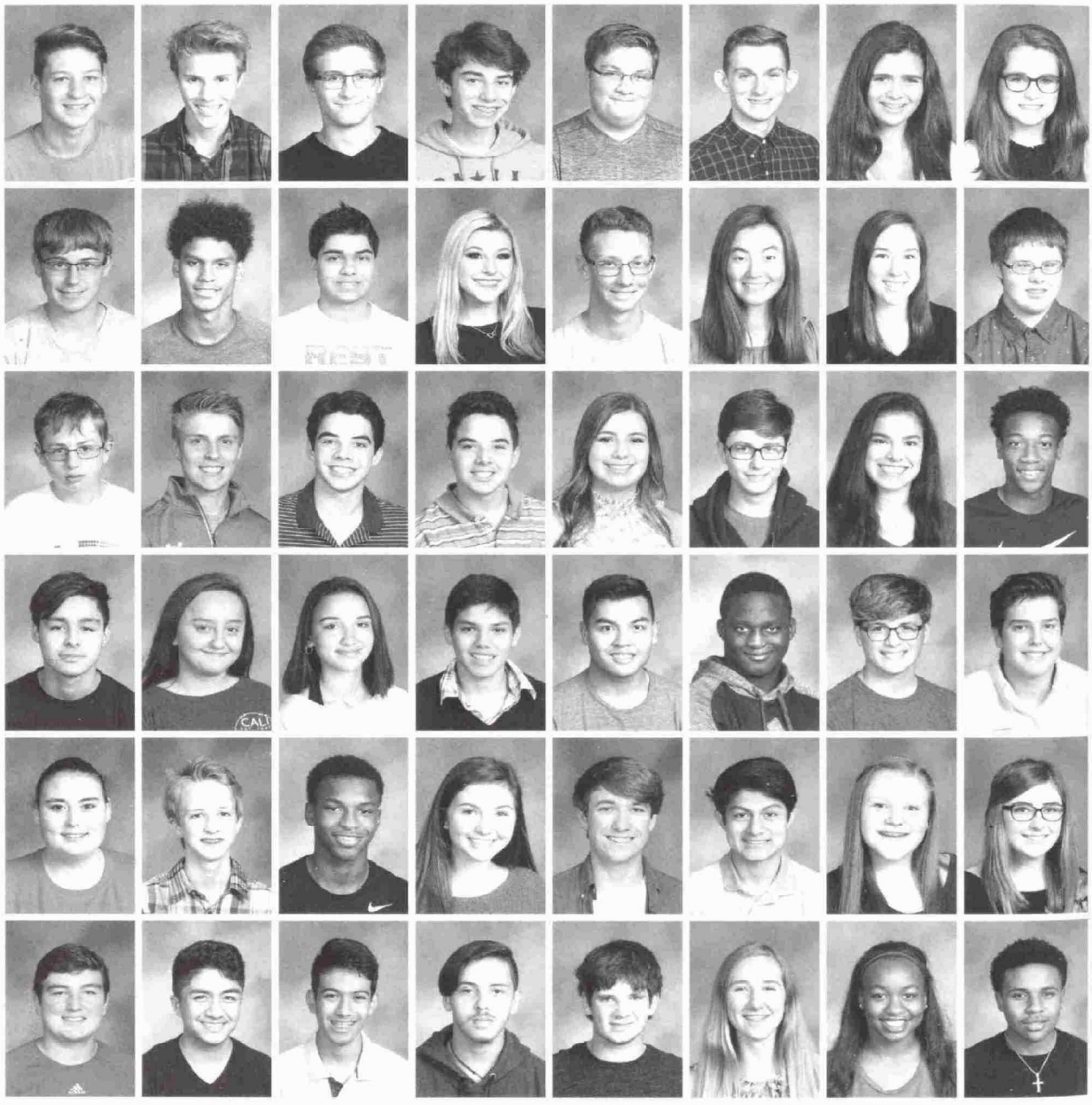

7 Popcorn for Thought

April Roberts, sophomore, sells popcorn to raise money for the Munster Historical Society

"My sister and I walked around (Heritage Park) and sell popcorn for a dollar." —April Roberts, sophomore

A Platform for Performing Heritage park had two concerts a month that preform under this gazebo where April Roberts, sophomore, sold popcorn.
Photo by Micala Boyd

8 Fighting to Remember

Arianna Pina, sophomore, and her family raise money towards finding a cure for Alzheimer's

"We had a lot of memories that my aunt wasn't going to be able to remember anymore. It helped us to know that in her heart she remembered, even though her mind didn't." —Arianna Pina, sophomore

Purple Pride Wearing a purple hat, shirt, and bracelets, Arianna Pina, sophomore, shows her support for her aunt diagnosed with Alzheimer's. The Pina family raised the money by holding a benefit concert and auction. "We didn't like how [the disease] affected our family," Arianna said. "We wanted to give help for other families that had to go through the same thing we did."
Photo by Elizabeth Fonseca

Haley Mize-Block
Adam Mohrs
Anthony Montella
Esperanza Moreno
Lenore Moreno
Lauren Morris
Sami Muhrez
Maysa Musleh

Alyssa Nahnsen
Natalie Naumoff
Esperanza Navarro
Benjamin Nelson
Juliana Nelson
Kari Nero
Kiari Nero
Olivia Newman

Stephanie Niemiec
Dharma Niles
Joshua Noisette
Ronald Nowak
Mary Anne O'Brien
Jackson O'Dea
Andrew O'Donnell
Sean O'Rourke

Zoe O'Shaughnessy
Alia Odtallah
Hazem Ojel
Brendan Olson
Angela Ortega
Ann Ostojic
Jude Ouyuon
Kenil Pachani

Kristina Pamucar
Ronav Panigrahi
Mianna Papageorge
Lola Fay Papanikolaou
Leah Patterson
Brianna Pazdur
Iris Peck
Kaela Percak

Chase Persic
Michael Peters
Katarina Petrovic
Arianna Pina
Sophia Porter
Christian Portone
Cole Portone
Emme Poulston

Payton Poulston
Payton Powe
Claire Powell
Patricia Proctor
Vitaliy Prots
Elizabeth Pucher
Logan Radwan
Holden Raffin

Grace Rau
Dominick Reda
April Roberts
Marysa Rodriguez
Trinity Rodriguez
Joseph Rogers
William Rojas
Gianna Rooney

Kayley Rowe
Yalissa Rubio
Abbey Ruckert
Daisy Ruiz
Delilah Salazar
Saranya Sanaka
Isabella Scalzo
Oliver Segvich

Kristin Sell
Daniel Senisais
Kaleb Sepanski
Alejandro Sepulveda
Safoora Shad
Ami Shah
Madelyn Sharp
James Shelton

Jorja Shelton
Rimsha Siddiqui
Mehak Sidhu
Presley Simpson
Erianna Sims
Costa Sirounis
Henry Sklar
Lauren Slavo

Aidan Smith
Christopher Smith
Ava Sopcic
Kristina Sosic
Uriel Soto
John Stanko
Jack Stork
Carli Strbiak

Emma Stricker
John Sullivan
Michael Svolos
Andrew Synko
Shalini Tallamraju
Haley Tate
Robert Tengdin
Clara Terry

9 Olympic Sized Dreams

After being selected by Team Indiana, Holden Raffin, sophomore, trained at the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs Colorado

"We flew out to Colorado and trained there for ten days. (The training) was a lot more difficult. At the high altitude we were around 6,600 ft. Everything we did was harder because it was harder to breathe. So when I came down I should have felt like you had all this extra air."
—Holden Raffin, sophomore

Members Only While at the Olympic Training Center, Holden was required to use an Olympic Athlete ID pass. "(The pass) had the Olympic logo," Holden said. "It was pretty cool."
Photo by Micala Boyd

Srija Thipirneni
Garrett Tienstra
Lucy Torres
Milena Trivunovic
Isabella Trull
Mia Tumacder
Tyler Tyson
Alyssa Valadez

Michael Van Deursen
Skylar Van Ermen
Samantha Vandergriff
Ariel Velasco
Gina Vellutini
Kathir Venkat
Kya Vesa
Emilia Vezmar

Vanessa Villarreal
Collin Vukadinovich
Anthony Wallace
Casey Wallace
Laila Wallace
Mitchell Walsh
Courtney Warner
Joseph Webster

Jonathan Wesley
Drew Westland
Chadwick Weston
Jacob Whitaker
Daija Williams
Mercedez Williams
Ashley Wills
Hazel Wolf

Isabella Wolski
Riley Woodward
Lily Yalowitz
Adamari Yepez
Robert Young
Emily Zabrecky
Autumn Zager
Joshua Zatorski

Ahmad Zreba
Evan Zukley

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Alisha Evans
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Peter Gallagher
Michael Holvey
Kimani Kemp
David Mueller
Andrew Sagala
Kaitlyn Soukchanh
Brookelyn Stork
Ross Vezmar

10 Giving Back

After a summer spent doing missionary work in West Virginia with her church First Presbyterian Church in Highland, Grace Helmer, sophomore, learns new things

"These mission trips definitely open my eyes a lot. Living in Munster, we are spoiled out of our minds, and I did not realize that." —Grace Helmer, sophomore

Looking Back At a meeting regarding fundraising, Grace Helmer, sophomore, reminisces on a past mission trip. She would have to save up $1,700 for her next trip. "I was definitely a lot less selfish," Grace said. "I put other people's needs before mine." Photo by Micala Boyd

WHO'S ON YOUR LIST?

If you were stuck on a desert island, who would you want to be stuck with?

- ☐ my best friend — Kaela Percak, 10
- ☐ Nikola Tesla — Declan Wittkowski, 10
- ☐ Nobody — Bradley Gregson, 10
- ☐ Chris Martin — Bradley Jimenez, 10
- ☐ Batman — Jackson O'Dea, 10
- ☐ Johnny Depp — Jayda Banks, 10

Oh, the places we WENT

Every period of the day we are required to be in a specific class completing specific work, but here are eleven juniors and the places they went on their own time.

reporting by Abbey Burris and Emily Mudroncik

1 Extended Family

Bailey Broelmann, junior, prepares for upcoming competition season

"My favorite part about cheering at Midwest was that they were like a family to me. We supported each other, and it made us better."
—Bailey Broelmann, junior

Cheering on At Midwest Training and Ice Center, Bailey Broelmann, junior, practices in preparation for new cheer competition season. They performed a two minute and thirty second routine which consisted of tumbling, stunting and jumping. "I cheered (at Midwest) for five years, and I hoped to stick with it for two more," Bailey said. Photo by Victoria Reardon

Anuoluwapo Abioye
Mohammad Abushanab
Sean Adams
Miah Albritton
Angela Alexiou
Samir Ali
Leah Alicea
Adeline Andello

Toriq Andrews
Megan Angotti
Alejandro Arce
Sara Arndt
Anukriti Arora
Alina Arzumanian
Rafael Ascencio
James Ashcraft

Brian Augustynski
Jeffrey Ballard
Samantha Barraza
Felix Barrera
Jaedon Barrientez
Amani Batarseh
Audrey Beck
Isabelle Bednarowski

Desiree Bedolla
Joseph Bellahcen
Michael Biel
Nicole Biestek
Brendan Bleza
Katherine Bobb
Anthony Bohling
Brisa Bohling

Moira Boyle
Brielle Bradley
Dylan Brann
Miryam Brody
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Maverick Broviak
Kara Bryant

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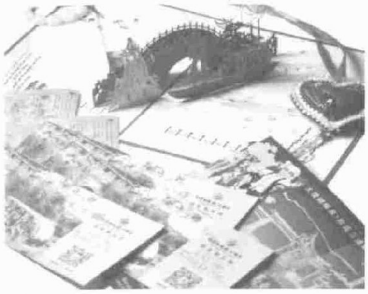
2 Second Home

Nicole Lu, junior, spends summer in China



City Sizes Every other year, Nicole Lu, junior, travels to China to explore different historical sites. While there, she collected many items from these places. "In China, there were a lot more people so it was very different from Munster because it was so full of life and bustling whereas Munster was more quiet," Nicole said.
Photo by Emily Mudroncik

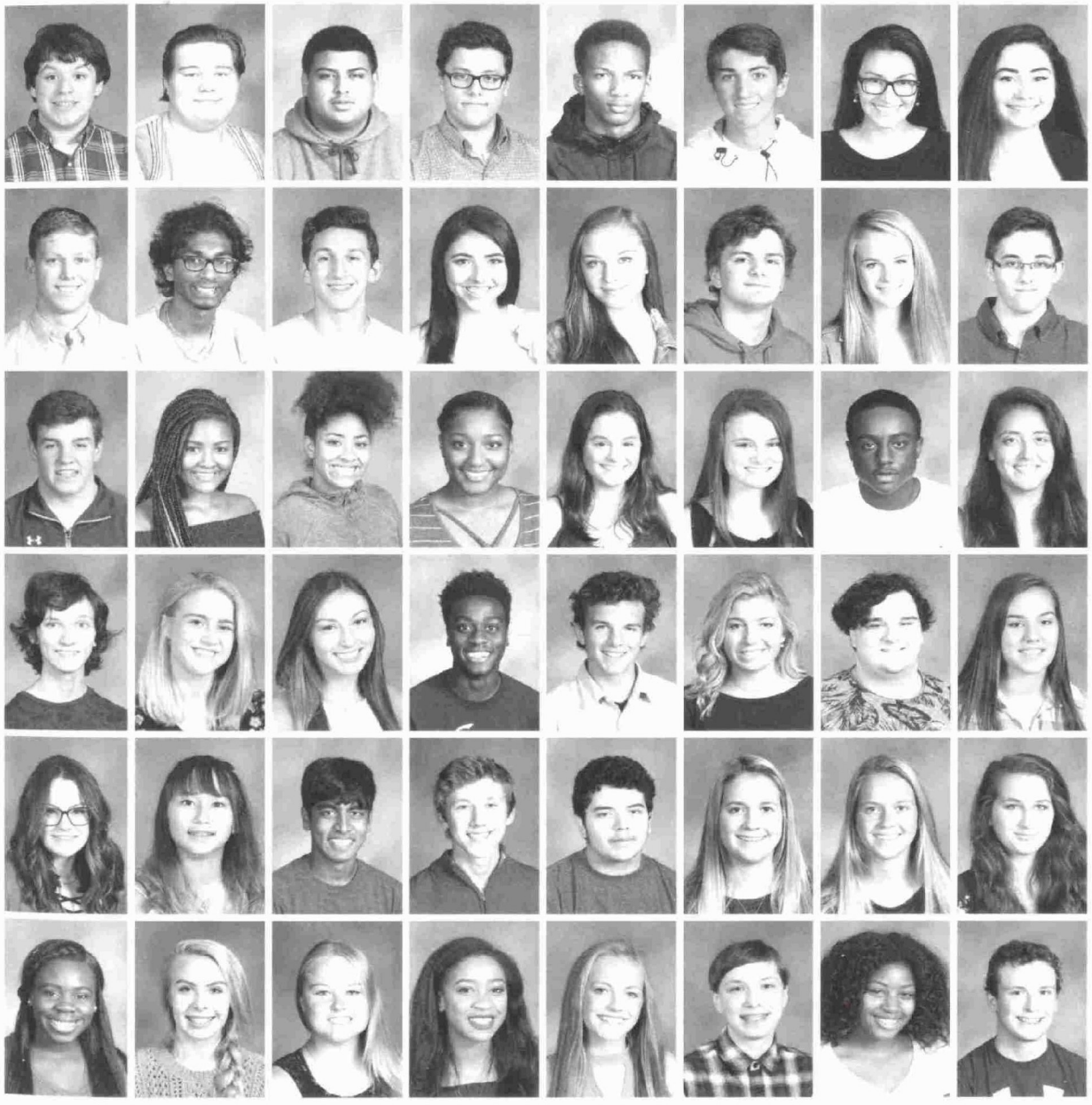
"The plush heart had the mountain name on it and butterflies which stood for the history of the mountain because there was a myth that surrounded it."
—Nicole Lu, junior

3 Tropical Getaway

Juniors Alex Rowady and Emma Ladd adventure to Belize for summer vacation

"It was so nice being able to go scuba diving and swimming in the ocean by our villa."
—Alex Rowady, junior

Take a Trip Looking at their seashells from Belize, juniors Alex Rowady and Emma Ladd, remember their time staying there. They spent an eventful week filled with excursions and relaxing on the beach by the Caribbean Sea. "It was great to suntan on the beach," Alex Rowady said.
Photo by Emily Mudroncik



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Gregory Charles
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Nicole Choros
Alicia Chudziak
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Douglas Curski
Maggie Curtin
Jill Cuvala
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Madison Hansen

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Devon Harris
Tyler Hayes
Roberto Heath
Keila Hernandez
Monica Herrera
Sydney Hill
Alina Hillegonds

WHO'S ON YOUR LIST?

Who is your role model?

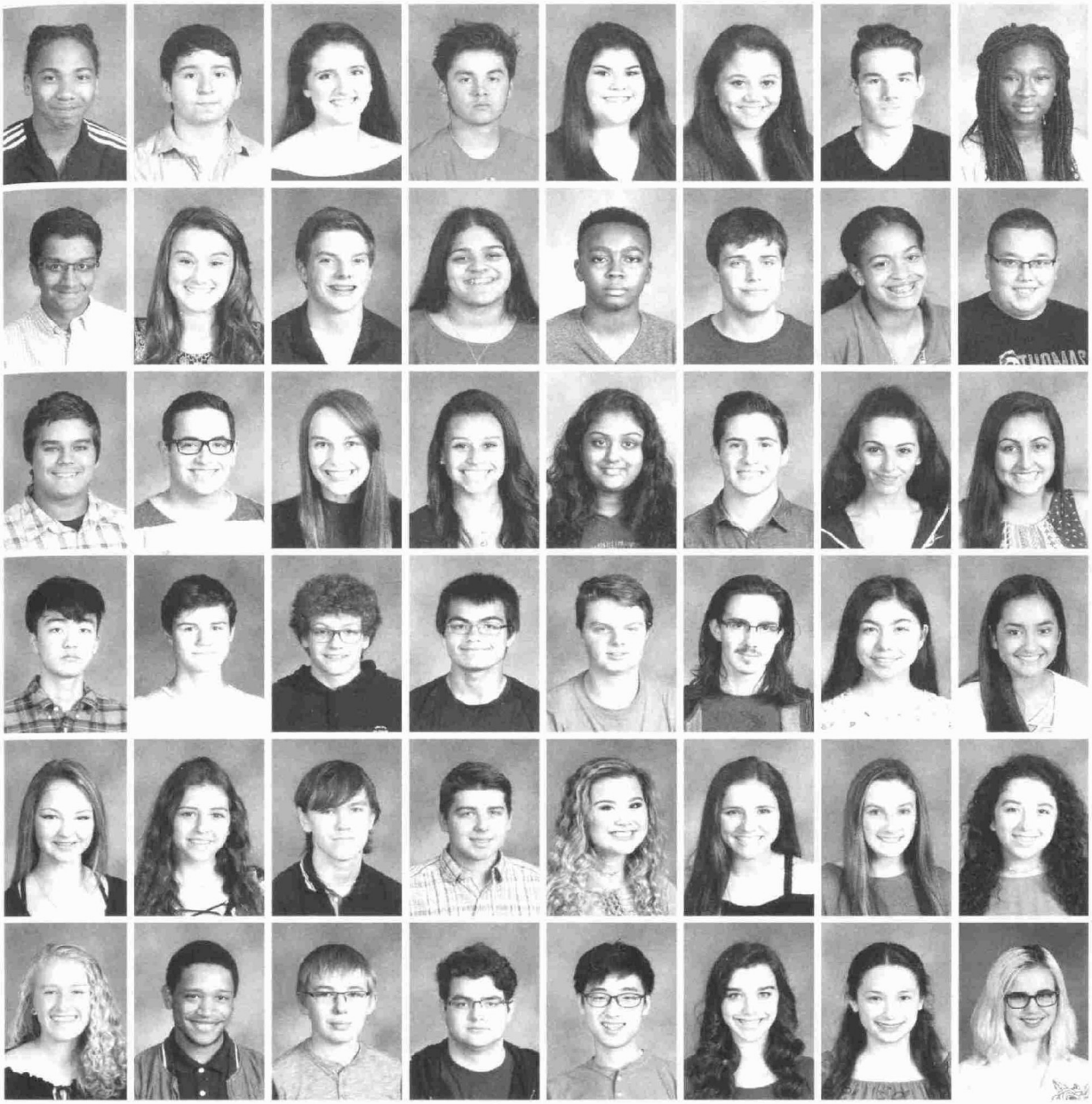
- ☐ Bill Nye — Adam Wisniewski, 11
- ☐ My father — Yasmeen Sabbah, 11
- ☐ Jennifer Lawrence — Sydney Macek, 11
- ☐ Lightning McQueen — Austin Witcher, 11
- ☐ Grandparents — Chris Seydel, 11
- ☐ Eleanor Roosevelt — Alexis Flores, 11
- ☐ Mr. Clyne — Bella Dyrhaug, 11
- ☐ Josh Kim — Luke Dragicevich, 11

4 Birthday Trip

Traveling to India and Thailand, Priyana Reddy, junior, visits family and celebrates birthday

"I got to pick to go to Thailand for my sixteenth birthday present."
—Priyana Reddy, junior

Dress to Reminisce As Priyana Reddy, junior, reminisces her visits to India and Thailand, she tries on different Indian dresses that remind her of her visit. In India, she spent time enjoying her distant families presence and then later went to Thailand to explore as a present for her sixteenth birthday. "In India, since we were so familiar with the country, we didn't go anywhere for tourism purposes, but I did a lot of volunteer work, and in Thailand we visited a lot of temples and explored cities like Bangkok," Priyana said. Photo by Lauren Kozy



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Madison Horin
Cade Howard
Elizabeth Huard
Hannah Hughes-Stokes
Ryan Hyland
Wisdom Ibikunle

Shreyas Iyer
Nicole Jen
Eric Jerge
Leah John
Anarree Johnson
Craig Jones
Taylor Jones
Eric Juarez

Frederic Jumonville
Roberto Jurado
Samantha Kall
Brianna Karl
Priya Karnam
Nathan Karnezis
Laila Khani
Rhea Khatra

Joshua Kim
Dylan Klos
Benjamin Knutson
James Kocal
Zachery Kopp
Jay Korman
Emily Kotvasz
Vanessa Koultourides

Lauren Kozy
Rebecca Krahn
Evan Krieg
Nathan Kunas
Emma Ladd
Madison Lakomek
Isabelle Landeck
Christina Landeros

Alaina Lany
Galen Lareau
Nicholas Larson
William Latinovich
Justin Lee
Alyse Lepir
Olivia Lerma
Lily Leslie

5 Pit Stop

After practices, Maddy Hansen, junior, hangs out with friends at Dunkin'

"I just went to hang out with friends because it was a nice break from school." — Maddy Hansen, junior

Hang-Out To de-stress after soccer practice and school, Maddy Hansen, junior, hangs out with her friends at Dunkin' Donuts in Munster. "There were a lot of different people there," Maddy said. "There were people from high school, and we would just play card games. It was fun."
Photo by Megan Wolski

6 Just Tradition

Sara Arndt, junior, visits Maine for family vacation

Maine Event During summer, Sara Arndt, junior, and her family visit Maine's capital, Augusta. They spent a week learning the history of the city. "My favorite part of the trip was the natural water slides because only a few people knew about them, and the view from the mountains was beautiful," Sara said.
Photo by Victoria Reardon

"When my older sister was born, my parents wanted to show us around the United States and make sure we got to experience everything available to us." —Sara Arndt, junior

7 Setting the Scene

At the Towle Theatre, Cali Grzybowski, junior, participates in "Heathers"

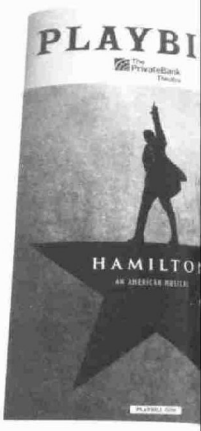
"When I was performing, I felt like I was meant to be up there because they (directors) thought I was meant to be up there. I felt confident."
—Cali Grzybowski, junior

Center Stage In the show "Heathers", Cali Grzybowski, junior, plays Martha Dunstock. After seeing the show Mental, she knew she wanted to be a part of the Towle. "The directors created an atmosphere where it's not even like you're around kids; it's like you're around equals," Cali said. Photo by Melaine Powers

8 Satisfied

For her birthday, Anu Arora, junior, sees Hamilton in Chicago

"I have loved the show for a long time, and my family knew that. They decided to surprise me for my birthday. I had no idea until we actually pulled up to the theatre."
—Anu Arora, junior



Blow us all away As a surprise, Anu Arora, junior, went to the Chicago Theatre to see Hamilton for her birthday. Her favorite part of the musical was seeing the song "The Room Where it Happened." "The amount of energy and power that all the characters bring to the show, I don't think there is another song that matches the energy that it's that song," Anu said.
Photo by Elizabeth Fonseca

Joseph Lesniak
Cecilia Lipschultz
Kelli Little
Jennifer Lockhart
Noelle Long
Cesar Lopez
Gabriel Lopez
Corina Love

Yongxuan Lu
Viviana Luna
Austin Lynn
Rachel Lyons
Sydney MaCek
Christopher Maldonado
Mercedes Maldonado
Garrett Manous

Julia Mansour
Michaela Marcotte
Melissa Mardyla
Matthew Marszowski
Aileen Martinez
Faustino Martinez
Lysabelle Martinez
Nicklaus Martinez

Trevor Maul
Jaccob Mayo
Ella McComis
William McComis
Joseph McCraw
Gabriel McKnight
Casey Meldgin
Allan Mella

Veronica Mendoza
Madison Meyer
Kenyatta Miles
Theo Mitrakis
Kameryn Moore
Jevon Morris
Danielle Mueller
Raisuli Muhammad

9 Culture Combination

Joseph Bellahcen, junior, recreates parents' honeymoon in San Francisco

"One of the inmates (William Baker) had been in Alcatraz for the better end of 50 years, and when he got out he began to write a book about his experiences, and he was there doing a book signing."
—Joseph Bellahcen, junior

In Memory To recreate his parents' honeymoon, Joseph Bellahcen, junior, travelled to San Francisco over the summer. His favorite part of the trip was visiting all the cultural districts. "We went to San Francisco because 20 years ago, that was where my parents had their honeymoon," Joe said. "We went to reenact it and hit up all the spots they went to."
Photo by Victoria Reardon

WHO'S ON YOUR LIST?
Who is your role model?

- ☐ Coco Chanel — Maira Glowacki, 11
- ☐ Audrey Hepburn — Viviana Luna, 11
- ☐ My therapist — Casey Meldgin, 11
- ☐ Mr. Kalwasinski — Frank Wolf, 11
- ☐ Elon Musk — Ben Foreit, 11
- ☐ My mother — Aileen Martinez, 11
- ☐ Spider-man — Jacob van Woert, 11
- ☐ Abraham Lincoln — Eli Nirenberg, 11

Yousif Mukatash
Cole Munoz
Hidaya Musleh
Timothy Muta
Tavares Myart
Matthew Nahnsen
Mariana Navarro Ramirez
Blake Newton

Eli Nirenberg
Austin Nitcher
Joseph Nowak
Phoenix Orozco
Natalie Ostrow
Joseph Pallares
Kelsey Pappas
Max Paredes

Michael Parobek
Erin Paskewicz
Sydney Pastor
Adit Patel
Megha Patil
Nicholas Peirick
Benjamin Peters
Linda Plebanski

Madison Pomales
Riley Portone
Melanie Powers
Michael Prendergast
Kayla Prowell
Mohammad Rabie
Maya Radjenovich
Timothy Radtke

Hamzah Rafiq
Juliana Ramirez
Chyan Rangel
Edward Rau
Taylor Raycroft
Priyana Reddy
Kendyll Reeves
Camille Renwald

Javaughn Richards
Anthony Richey
Melissa Rivera
Nicole Roberts
Nathanael Rodenburg
Jaylee Rodriguez
Xavier Rodriguez
Alexandra Rowady

Eviana Rubio
Lauren Ruiz
Allison Rusnak
Thomas Ryan
Yasmeen Sabbah
Arianne Sadural
Haya Safi
Bilal Salem

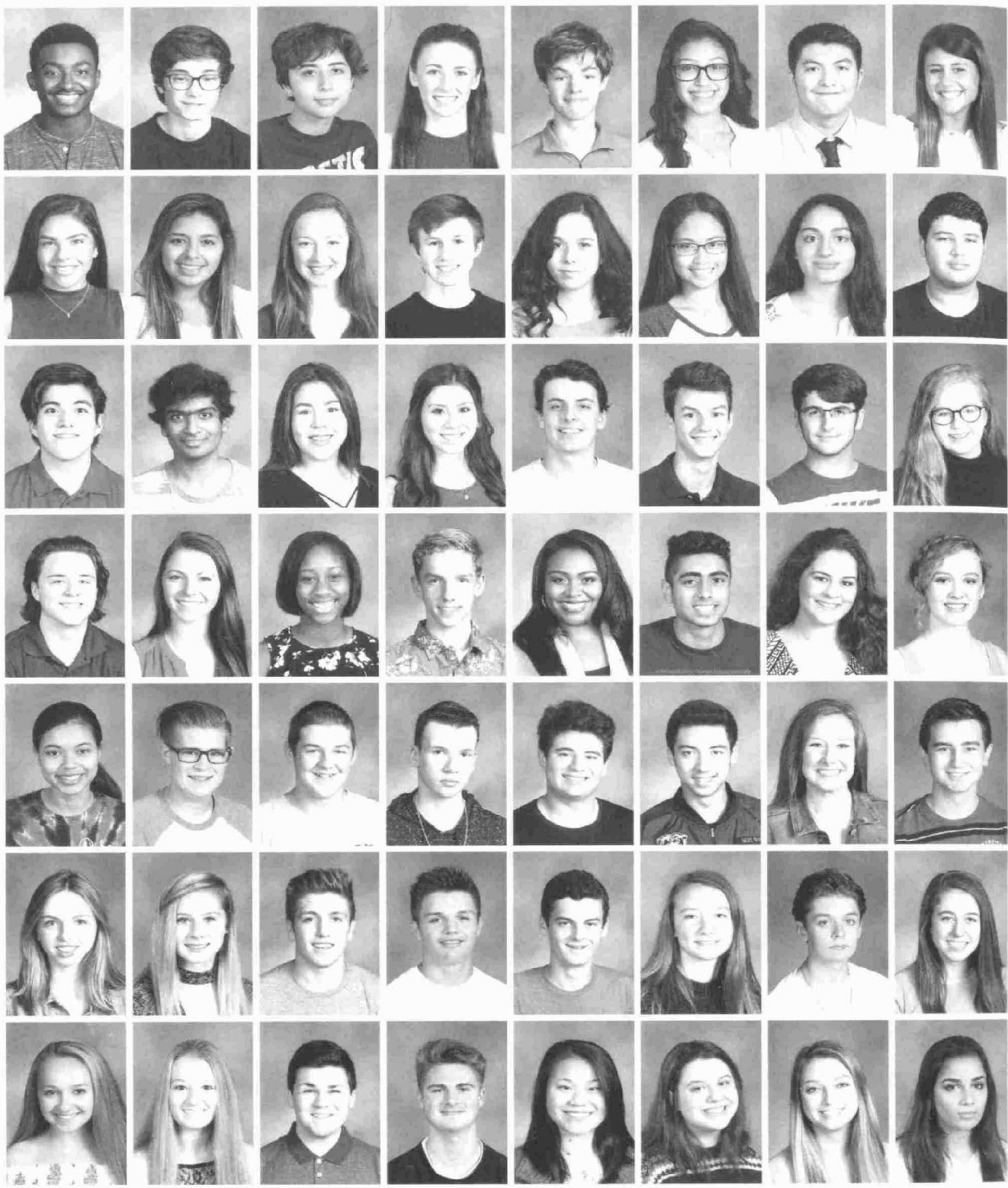
Juan Salgado
Harshavardhan Sanaka
Emely Santiago
Katelyn Sarmiento
Michael Schassburger
Zachary Schmidt
Darrell Schreiner
Carey Scott

Christopher Seydel
Savanah Sharpe
Adeyah Shine
Zakris Shmagranoff
Zoe` Short
Jasvir Singh
Anica Sljivar
Lydia Smith

Peyton Smith
Samuel Smolinski
Clayton Sons
Marcus Sotak
Ali Soto
Lucas Southwell
Rebeka Spicer
James Sroge

Karolina Sroka
Madison Steapleton
Blake Stepanovich
Brett Stepanovich
William Stephan
Emma Stevens
Ethan Stewart
Audrey Stooksbury

Alyssa Strege
Kaitlin Strempka
Eli Stricker
George Sudar
Megan Suoranta
Mikalla Swanson
Sage Sweeney
Petra Sweis



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Who is your role model?

- ☐ No one — Hamzah Rafiq, 11
- ☐ Oprah Winfrey — Kennedy Clayton, 11
- ☐ Mick Jagger — Aristotle Galonos, 11
- ☐ Beyoncé — Kynide Williams, 11
- ☐ Shrek — Eu Krier, 11

9 Pierogi Party

Emma Stevens, junior, celebrates her birthday with her friends

"I loved going there because it was close, it was usually not busy, and it reminded me of my grandma's cooking."
—Emma Stevens, junior

Pierogi Please To celebrate her birthday, Emma Steven's, Erin Paskewicz and Audrey Stooksbury, juniors, eat at local restaurant, Dan's Pierogies. "I always got the potato pancakes, stuffed cabbage, and twelve pierogies, half sweet cheese and half potato," Emma said. Photo by Emily Mudroncik

Samuel Szala
Gabrielle Szumlas
Megan Szymanski
William Teske
Liliana Therault
Hailey Thill
Rebecca Thompson
Evan Torbica

Nancy Tratar
Matthew Tripenfeldas
Nicoletta Tsoukalas
Jessica Tucker
Declan Urbaniak
Ella Uylaki
Janica Van Ghunt
Jacob Van Woert

Lindsy Vanek
Charles Varkalis
Chynna Vaughn
Noel Venema
Alexandra Vjestica
Jaden Warner
Jelani Warner
Jordyn Warner

Abigail Watts
Jaclyn Webber
Sara Wenzel
Daniel Wiese
Ashlyn Williams
Kynide Williams
Eleanor Wilson
Gretchen Wineinger

Alyssa Winterhalter
Adam Wisniewski
Declan Wittkowske
Summer Witvoet
Frank Wolf
Summer Wright
Nicholas Ylo
Tyler Zabrecky

Onteya Zachary
Asmae Zehraovi

Not Pictured

Tyriq Andrews
Brett Boilek
Hunter Delgado
Joshua Fleming
Hendricks Milan
Anthony Moore
Ciera Rains
Mohammad Shad
Matthew Smith
Christopher White

10 Hey DJ!

Playing hit songs on his equipment, Tyler Hayes, junior, DJs for parties and friends

"I always played music at parties, so I figured I would mix the songs so they flow together."
—Tyler Hayes, junior

Play the Track Hired by his friends, Tyler Hayes, junior, plays the newest hits in music and adds his special twist on them at local parties. He had fun doing it and the crowd cheered in excitement whenever he DJ'ed. "Anything from Travis Scott and Migos are my favorite and were always played," Tyler said.
Photo by Emily Mudroncik

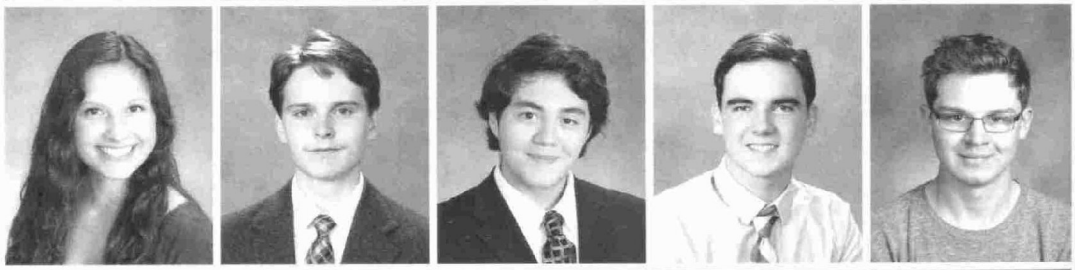
We Went to the Right Places at the Right Time

Twelve students share their journey through the chaos and stress of senior year. They have been through it all and learned a lot during their final school year. These students share places they went and what they did during this school year.

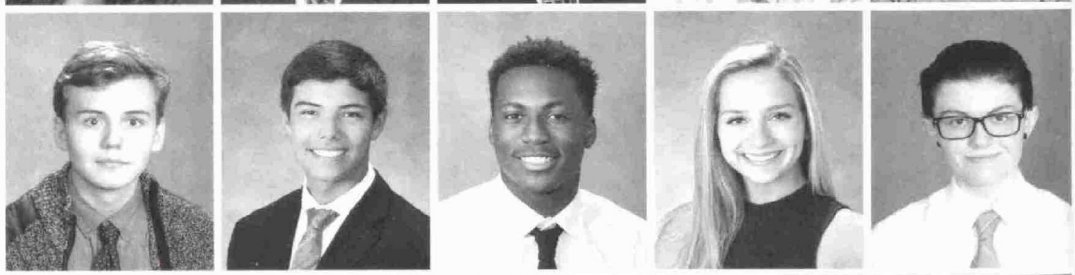
reporting by Taylor Homans, Elizabeth Fonseca, Kammy Moore, Victoria Reardon, and Nicole Roberts

Miranda Adams: Project X 9; Orchestra 9-12; SADD 10,12; Spanish Club 12; Swimming 9-12
Carl Adindu
Fred Xymon Aesquivel
Reem Alsakaji
Mohammad Alshamaileh

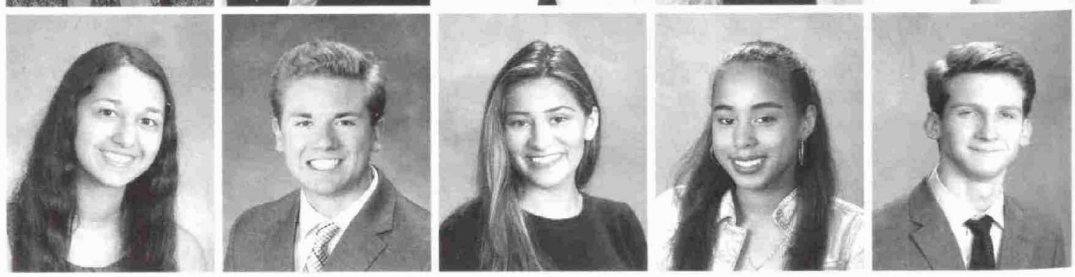
Julian Alvarado
Brianna Alvarez: Project X 9-10; Spanish Club 9-11; CEC 11-12
Lauren Amatulli
Jacob Anderson: Basketball 9-11; Baseball 9-12; Link Crew 11-12
Jordan Andric



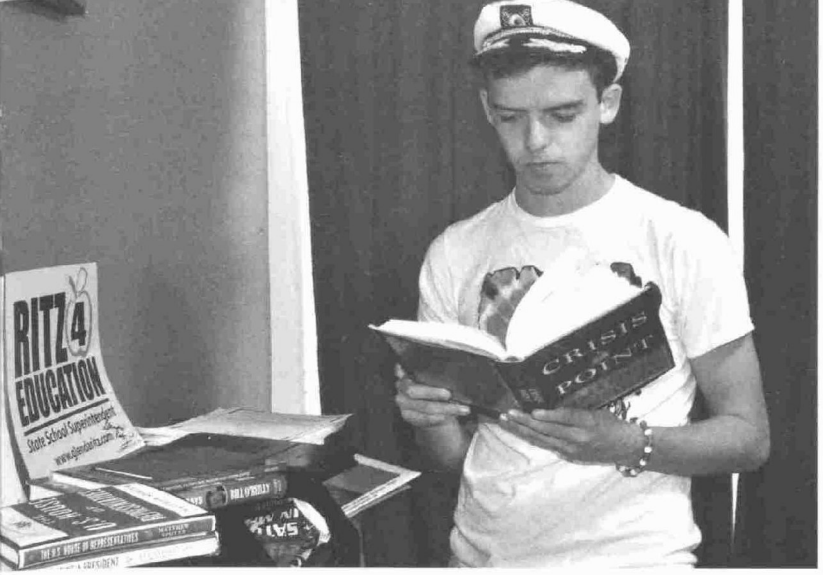
Lissette Araya: Science Olympiad 9-12 (Officer 12); Orchestra 9-12; French Club 9-12 (co-President 12); Spanish Club 9-12; CEC 9-12; Academic Super Bowl 11-12; Speech 9-10; Spell Bowl 11; Environmental Science Club 11
Michael Archer
Daniel Arellano: ASL 10-11; Robotics 11-12
Matthew Armour
Jonathan Armstrong



George Babus: Art Club 11; Robotics 10-12 (Officer 12); Project X 9-11
Joseph Baeza: Project X 9-12; Tennis 9-12; Swimming 9-12; DECA 9-12; Marching Band 9-10; Wind Ensemble 9-10; CEC 9-12; Civics Club 11-12; Link Crew 11-12
Brandon Baker: Basketball 9; Track 10-11; Football 9-12
Sofia Balac: DECA 9-12; Project X 9-12; We The People 11; Dance 9-10; NHS 11-12; Civics Club 11-12
Melina Banaszak: GSA 9-12; ASL Club 10-12; Creative Writing Club 12



Anusuya Bandyopadhyay: Student Government 10-12 (Secretary 12); Project X 9-12; Spanish Club 9-12; DECA 9-12; Academic Super Bowl 10; NHS 11-12; We the People 11; Speech & Debate 9-11; Best Buddies 12
Benjamin Barilla
Madison Barnett: Volleyball 9-11; Project X 10; Civics Club 11
Mireya Barragan: Track 12
Thomas Barron: Lacrosse 9-12 (Captain 10-12)

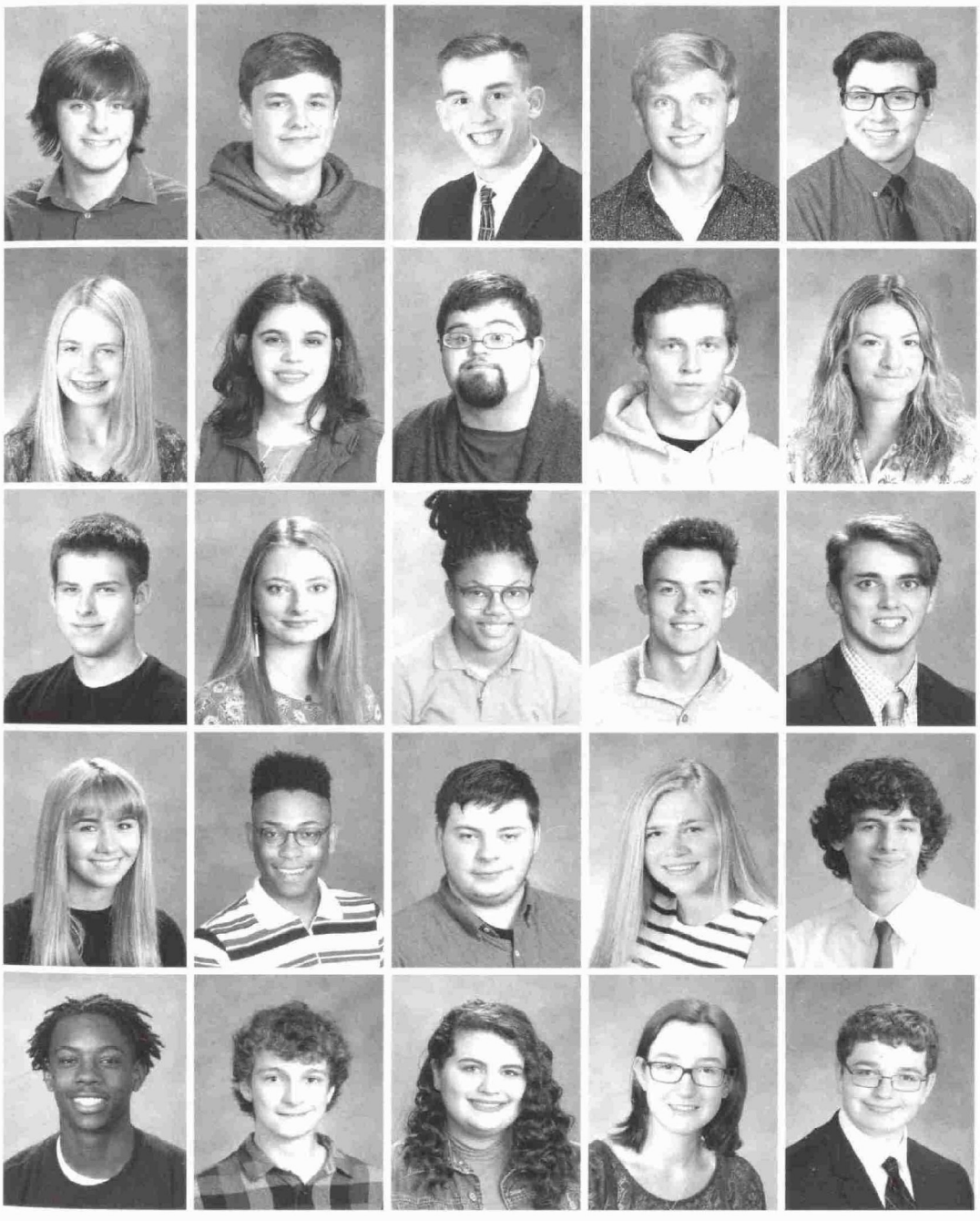


1 Political Gains

Politics come easy to Connor Meyer, senior, who has worked on three local and national campaigns

"I've always had a dream to be a senator. I knew tons about the United States Senate and how it operated" —Connor Meyer, 12

Future Senator Reading out of his favorite book, Connor Meyer, senior, has worked on campaigns like Bernie Sanders, Mara Candelaria Reardon and John Gregg. Connor had always had an interest in politics but he got involved during his sophomore year. "The best thing about politics was that it affects everyone" Connor said "The one thing that did affect everyone your government and I thought that the best way was to get involved and potentially change your life or other peoples for the better." Photo by Taylor Homans



Justin Barrows: Tech Club 12
Jason Bayless
Christopher Bedenk
Matthew Bensema
Joseph Bermudez

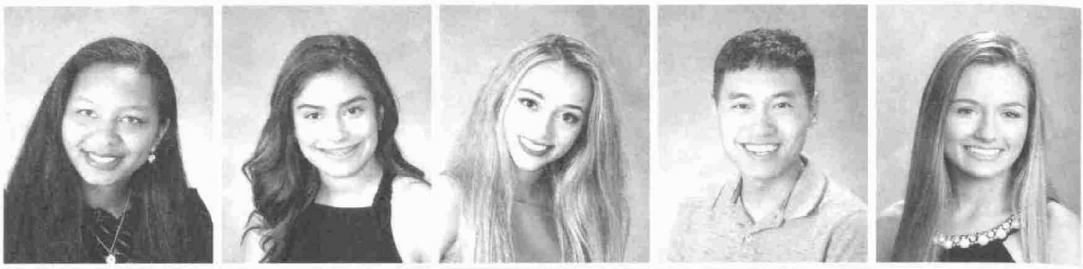
Nicole Biel: Cross Country 9-12, Track 9,12; Best Buddies 10-12
Efthymia Bissias: Poetry Club 11-12 (President 12); Wind Ensemble 8-12; Creative Writing Club 10-12); Environmental Science Club 11-12; French Club 10-12; Orchestra 9-12
George Bissias
Steven Black
Isabella Blackford: Swimming 9-12; Project X 9-11; French Club 9-10; Debate 9; We The People 11; CEC 9-12; Link Crew 11

Ethan Boudreau
Micala Boyd: Paragon 10-12 (Editor-in-Chief 11-12); Crier 12; DECA 9-12; CEC 9-12; Munster Theatre Company 9; Speech & Debate 9-10
Taneigh Boyd: Basketball 9-12 (Captain 12)
Vincent Bravo: Football 9-12
Justin Brent

Kiele Brown
Ian Brundige: Crier 10-12 (Editor-in-Chief 12); Paragon 11 (Managing Editor 11); DECA 9-12; Creative Writing Club; 9-11; Poetry Club 9-12; Art Club 9-12; Enviromental Science Club 9-10; GSA 12; CEC 9-12
Angelo Bruno
Alexis Buchalo
James Bugajski: Hockey

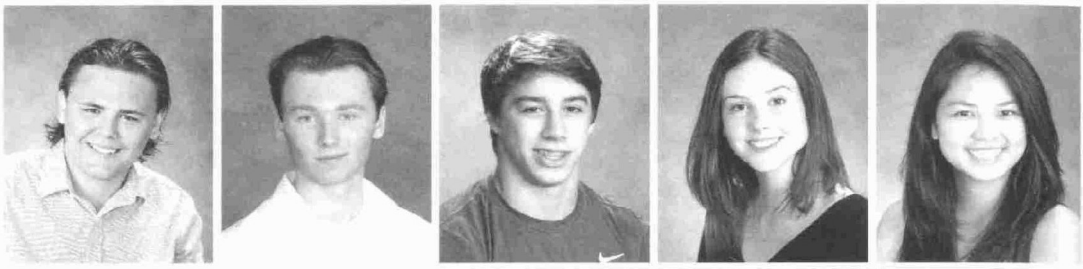
Dylan Bullock
Caleb Cala
Alexandra Campbell
Kelli Canul: Spanish Club 9; Creative Writing 10-12; Environmental Science 11; Habitat for Humanity 11; NHS 11-12; HOSA 11-12; Read & White Book Club 9-12 (Secretary 11, President 12); Tennis 9-12 (Captain 12)
Richard Caraher: Munster Theatre Company 9-12; Chorale 10-12; Speech 9-12; 12; French Club 9-12; Tech eSports 12; NHS 12

Alainna Carey: Spanish Club 9-12 (co-President 12); Chorale 10-12; Track & Field 9-12; Ping Pong Club 9; Project X 9-11; Spell Bowl 9; DECA 9; Snowflurry 11-12; Link Crew 11; Munster Theatre Company 9-10; Best Buddies 12; Speech & Debate 9; NHS 12
Monique Castro
Leah Chavez
Guhao Chen: Science Olympiad 10-12 (Captain 12); Tennis 10-11; Robotics 9-10 (Officer 10); Link Crew 12; Academic Super Bowl 11-12; Orchestra 9-12
Thalia Chioros: Cheerleading 9-12 (Captain 9,12); DECA 9-12; French Club 9; CEC 10; We The People 11; Civics Club 12; NHS 11-12

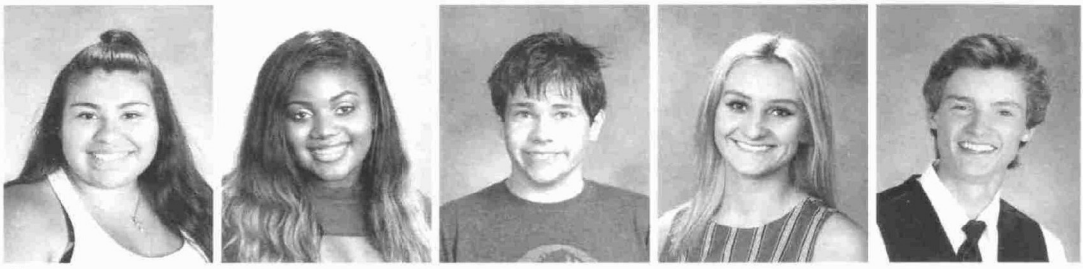


Calvin Christiansen
Sean Cleary
Emilee Cobb: Orchestra 9-12, Ping Pong Club 9, Debate 9-11, Robotics 11-12
Messiah Cobb
Kendall Coleman: Track- 9-12, Football 9-11

Evan Conway
Max Corner
Cody Crary
Nicole Crowe
Annacoleen Cruz



Nadia Cruz: Robotics 9; SADD 10-12
Meochia Cummings
Nicholas Curski
Anna Dabrowski: Dance 9-10
Louis DalleCarbonare



WHO'S ON YOUR LIST?

Who is your role model?

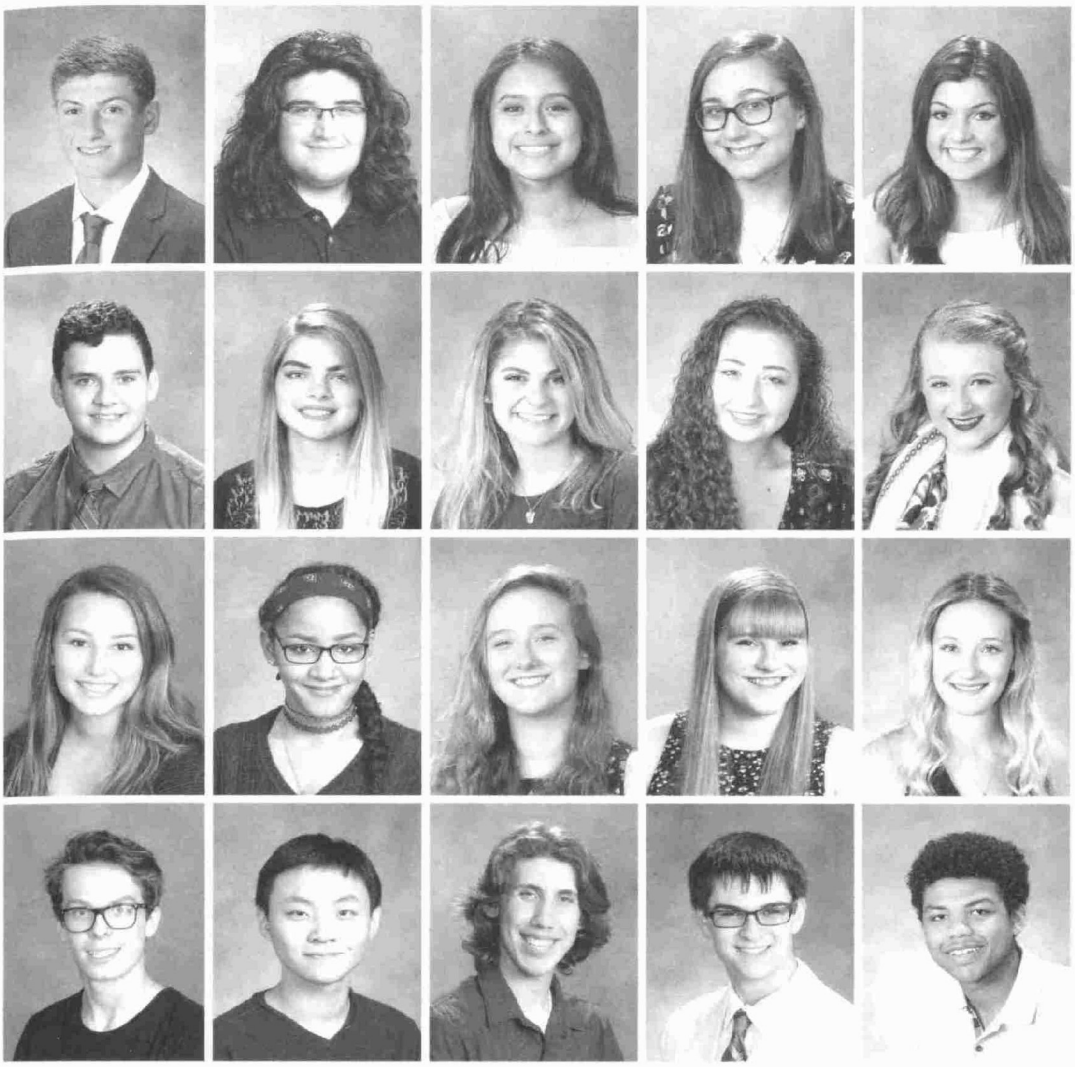
- ☐ Mrs. Barnes — Kiele Brown, 12
- ☐ Thomas Jefferson — Nick Swanson,12
- ☐ Eleanor Roosevelt — Gwynn Hammermeister, 12
- ☐ Chief Keef — Michael Dolinski, 12
- ☐ Serena Vanderwoodsen — Sarah Johnson, 12
- ☐ Nathelle Kawz — Lissette Araya, 12
- ☐ L.A. Capone — Jc Gerber, 12

2 Frying it up

Servin' it up and dishin' it out: Jessica Tarpo, senior, works at Schoops Hamburgers

"I loved having a job, besides the whole working part. Waitressing was a very independent job because, unlike cashiering, everything was done by you." —Jessica Tarpo, senior

Order Up Totaling up a customer's bill Jessica Tarpo, senior, has been working at Schoops since January. "My favorite part of working at Schoops would have to be being able to have had worked with some of my closest friends," Jessica said. Photo by Victoria Reardon



Anthony Daniels: Basketball 9-11; Golf 9-12; Project X 11
Caleb Davies
Nathalie De La Torre
Danielle Decesaris: Academic Super Bowl 9-12; Science Olympiad 10-12; Project X 10-12; Orchestra 10-12; Band 9
Katie Dedelow: Cheerleading 9-12 (Captain 12); Student Government 11-12 (Student Body Vice President 12); Project X 9-12; DECA 10-12; Link Crew 11-12; NHS 11-12; Speech & Debate 9

Peter Delis
Carsyn Delooff
Allison Demeter: Choir 9, 12
Mara DiCarlo: Cheerleading 9; Choir 9-12 ; Theatre 9-12
Brooke Dills: Volleyball 9-12 (Captain 12); Academic Super Bowl 11-12; French Club 10/12; NHS 11-12; Orchestra 10; Speech 10

Madison Dinga: Soccer 9; Basketball 9-10; Best Buddies 9-12; Chorale 11-12; Theatre 9-10; French Club 9-10; Track 10-12; NHS 11-12
Mariah Dixon
Katherine Dodgson: Volleyball 9-12; French Club 9-12; Creative Writing Club 9-12 (VP 11-12); Read & White Book Club 9-12; Orchestra 9-11; NHS 11-12
Rebecca Dodgson: Creative Writing Club 10-12 (President 11-12); French Club 9-12 (co-President 12); Volleyball 9-12; Read & White Book Club 10-11; NHS 11-12
Molly Dolan: Volleyball 9; Art Club 11-12; Spanish Club 10; Orchestra 9-10

Michael Dolinski
Zachary Dong: Spanish Club 9-10; Marching Band 9-10; Concert Band 9-11; Chess Club 9-11; DECA 9-12; Orchestra 9-12; Science Olympiad 9-12; TEAMS 9-12; Academic Super Bowl 10; Speech & Debate 10-12; Theatre 10-12; Civics Club 11; Spell Bowl 11; Environmental Science 11-12; Link Crew 11-12; Project X 11-12; CEC 12; Choir 12; French Club 12; Poetry Club 12; S.I.N.G 12; Student Government 12
Joshua Dragicevich
Richard Drwiega: Robotics 9; Theatre 9-11
Evan Dubose: Soccer 9-12; DECA 10-12; Civics Club 11-12; Link Crew 12; SADD 12

3 It's a Shellebration

Catching turtles is a very serious job. Connor Nussbaum, senior, has been doing it for 10 years

"During memorial day a couple years ago at my lake house, I caught 32 turtles in the span of four hours, that was the biggest amount I had ever caught"
-Connor Nussbaum, senior

Turtle talk Holding his turtle, Shelly, Connor Nussbaum, senior, has been catching turtles since the second grade. Connor has had Shelly since the second grade: she was approximately 15 years old. "I got into catching turtles because it was easier than catching fish," Connor said. "I liked looking at the different kinds of turtles and how each are different." Photo by Victoria Reardon

4 Bridesmaid to Be

Haley Hensley, senior, flew down to Orlando for her brother's wedding

"We were flying down the week of Halloween so we went to Horror Nights at Universal Studios."
—Haley Hensely, senior

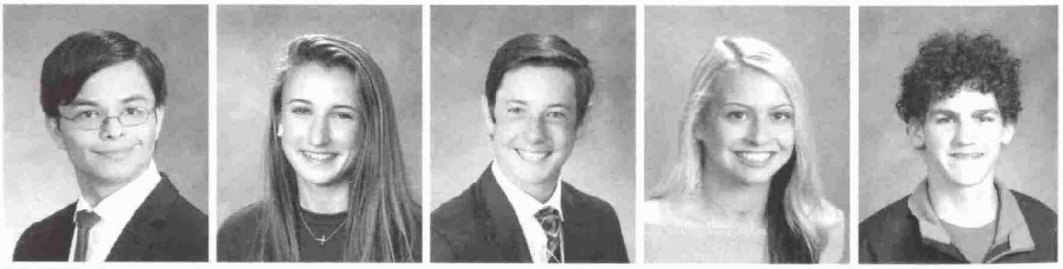
Dress Up Showing off her dress, Haley Hensley, senior, prepares to be a bridesmaid in her brother's wedding. She flew down to Orlando for the special event at the end of October. "My sister-in-law picked some dress choices for me and I picked from there," Haley said.
Photo by Sydney Pastor

Mackenzie Duff: Spanish Club 12; Project X 12; Peer Mentor 11-12; GSA 12; CEC 12
Taylor Dvorscak: Best Buddies 10-12 (President 12); Track 10-12; ASL Club 11-12 (Secretary 12); NHS 11-12
Olivia Dzurovcik: Project X 9; Chorale 10-12; SONG 9-12; Theater 9-12; NHS 12
Jeremiah Eaton: Spanish Club 10; Project X 10; Tennis 11; CEC 11-12; Poetry Club 12; Speech & Debate 10-11; Lacrosse 11-12; Football 9; MTC 9-10; Link Crew 11-12; Spell Bowl 11
Michael Edington: ASL Club 11-12 (President 12); Link Leaders 11-12; Munster Police Explorers 9-12 (Captain 10-11) (Chief 12); High Five Club 11

Megan Eickleberry
Alexander Eismin
Olivia Eldert: Cross Country 9-12 (Captain 12); Track 9-10; Lacrosse 11-12; DECA 9-12; Project X 9-12; CEC 10-12; Link Crew 11-12; Speech 10,12; We The People 11
Zachary Eng
Erika Escutia: Best Buddies 10, Paragon 11

Benjamin Favela
Olivia Ferrer
Taylor Fishman: Marching Band 9-12; Choir 10-12 (Chorale 11-12); Song 11-12; Orchestra 10; Theatre 9-12 (Historian 12); Wind Ensemble 9-12
Jacob Fitch: Football 9-12; Baseball 9-12; Marching Band 9-12; Concert Band 9-12; Jazz Band 10-11; Wrestling 9; Winter Guard 10
Micah Flahaven

Alejandro Flores: Speech 10-12; Theatre 12; Tech Club 12
Olivia Foley: Soccer 9-12; Track 9-12; Project X 9-12 (Executive Officer 12); Best Buddies 9-12; Speech & Debate 9-10; Spanish Club 9-10
James Forde
Emri Foreit
John Foster: Marching Band 8-12; Winter Percussion 10-12; Jazz Band 9-11; Hockey 12



Neil Gainer: Concert Band 9-11; Marching Band 9-11; Jazz Band 10-12
Colin Gaither
Camille Gallicho: Chorale 9-12
Kaylee Galvan: Cross Country 9-12; Track & Field 9-12; Spanish Club 11; Environmental Science 11
Elise Garcia: Soccer 9; Spanish Club 9-11; Environmental Science 11; Cross Country 9-12 (Captain 12); Track & Field 9-12 (Captain 12)

5 Proud Culture

Gary Chen, senior, shares an important cultural souvenir from China

"I went to China to visit my family and to meet some old friends."
—Gary Chen, senior

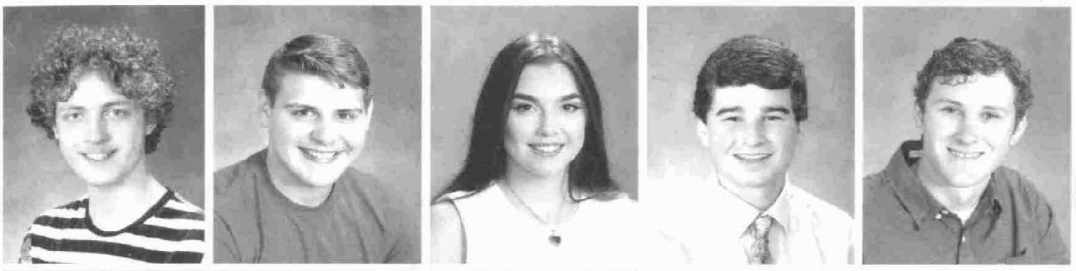
Red and Gold All the way from China, Gary Chen, senior, shares his bookmark. He bought it from the Peking Opera, a play that was very important to the people in China. "It really represented how rich China's culture is," Gary said. "And it looked pretty cool. It was very different."
Photo by Elizabeth Fonseca

WHO'S ON YOUR LIST

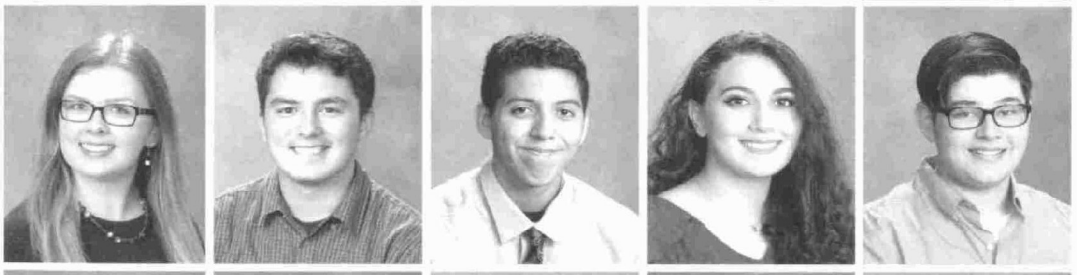
Who is your role model?

- ☐ Dwight Schrute — Carsyn DeLooff, 12
- ☐ Stan Lee — Steven McDunn, 12
- ☐ Easan Venkat — Luciano Medina, 12
- ☐ Mrs. Ebert — Brooke Dills, 12
- ☐ Elizabeth Warren — Tara Layous, 12
- ☐ Jacob Van Woert — Lindsey Martin, 12
- ☐ Duncan Keith — John Groen, 12

John Gerber
Kimberly Giannini: Speech 9; Basketball 9-11; Theatre 9-12; Chorale 10-12 (Section Leader 12); TEAMS 10-12; Science Olympiad 11-12; Link Leader 11-12; NHS 11-12; SONG 12
Hannah Giba: Science Olympiad 9-12 (Leader 12); French Club 9-12; NHS 11-12
Justin Gill
Jacqueleen Gonzalez: Dance 9; Art Club 10; Best Buddies 10; ASL Club 11 (VP 11)

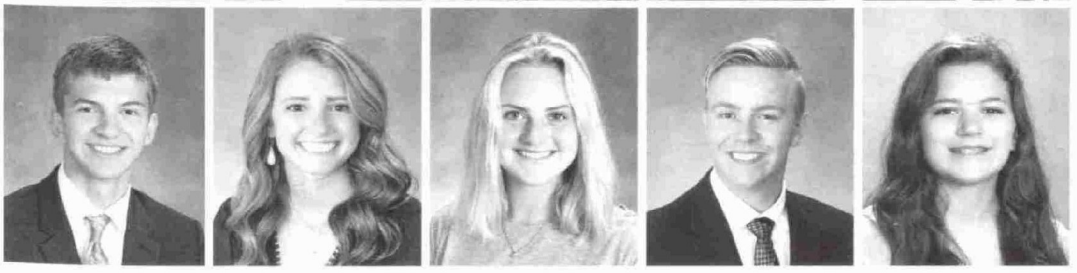


Bradley Goralczyk
Devin Grabelle
Sarah Graves: Project X 12; Speech 12; DECA 12
John Groen
Dakota Gronkiewicz



Haleigh Gronwold: Golf 9-12 (Captain 12); Orchestra 9-12; Project X 11-12; NHS 11-12; Spanish Club 9-12; Link Crew 12
Anthony Guba: Tech Club 12
Alejandro Guerrero
Eveen Haddad: French Club 10; Art Club 10,12; High Five Club; Theatre 10
Gavin Hamilton: GSA 9-10; Crier 10-12; Tech Club 12 (President 12); Paragon 12

Gwynn Hammermeister
Emma Hand: Soccer 9-10, Cross Country 11, French Club 9-12, Science Olympiad 9-12, NHS 11-12, Academic Super Bowl 11-12, Orchestra 9-12, Link Crew 11-12, Environmental Science 11-12
Morgan Hanenburg: Choir 9-12, Chorale 12
Haley Hargrove
Anjelina Haro



Jonathan Harris: Project X 10-12 (Secretary 12); Spanish Club 9-12 (Secretary 11-12); Tennis 9-12 (Team Captain 12); CEC 11-12; Science Olympiad 11-12; Link Crew 11-12; Debate 9-10; DECA 10-12
Emma Harvath: Dance 9-12 (Captain 12); Student Government 10-12 (Treasurer 12); Science Olympiad 9-12; Golf 9-11; Best Buddies 9-12; Project X 9-12; CEC 9, 11-12; DECA 10; Spanish Club 9-10; Link Crew 12; Speech 9
Jaycee Helmer
Jake Hemingway
Haley Hensley: Band 9-12; Orchestra 9-12

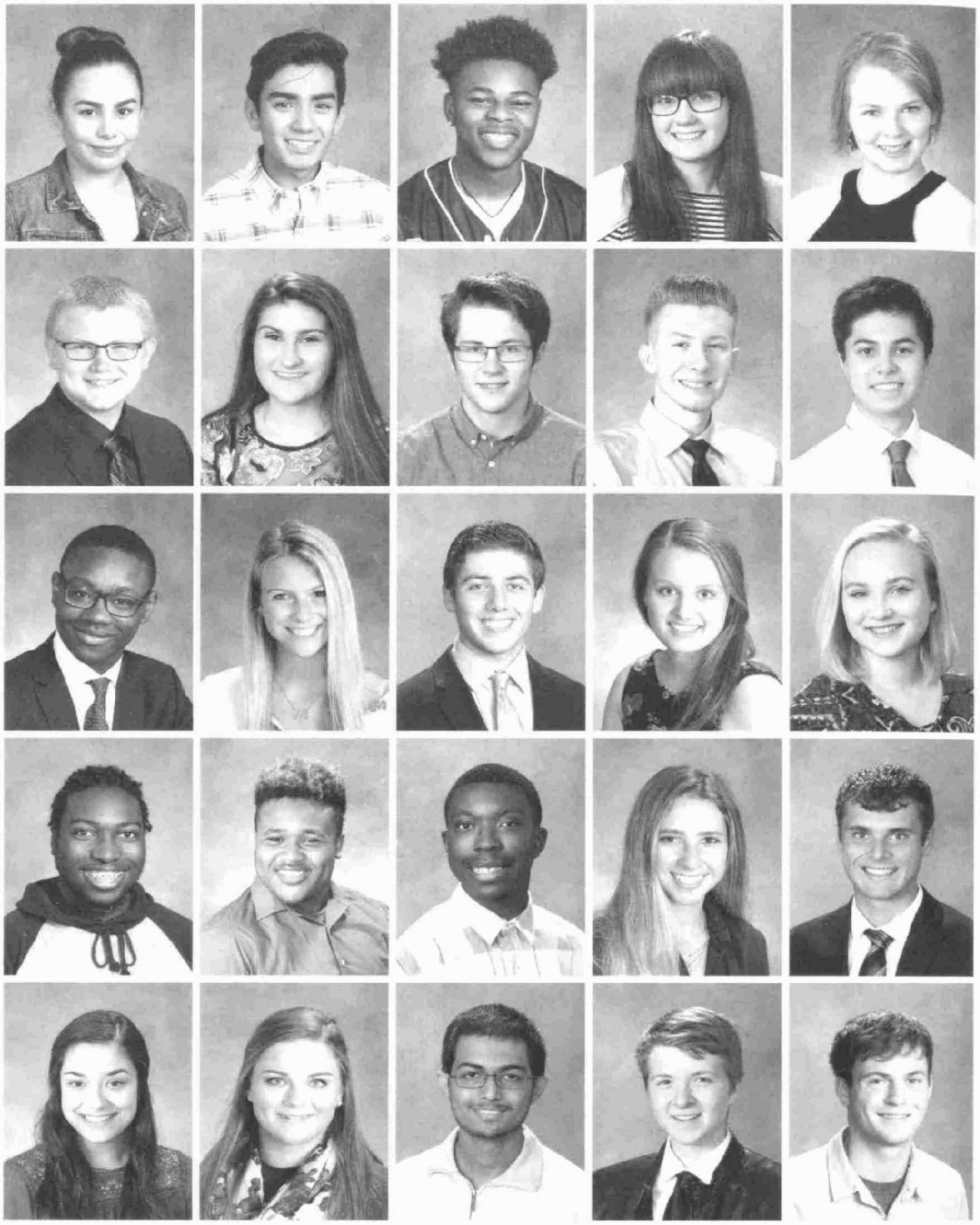
Patricia Hernandez
Estanislao Herrera
Gregory Hester
Olivia Hesterman: GSA 9; Auditorium Staff 9-10; Munster Theatre Company 9-10; Crier 10-11; Chorale 10-12; Tech Club 12 (President 12)
Shannon Hocker: Color Guard 9-12; Chorale 10-12; SONG 10-12; French Club 9-12; Theatre 10; NHS 11-12

Cameron Hoekstra
Taylor Homans: Cheerleading 9-10; Speech 10; CEC 11-12; Paragon 12; Lacrosse 12
Joshua Hoogewerf: Marching Band 9-12; Concert Band (Wind Ensemble) 9-12; Track & Field 9-12 (Captain 11-12); Project X 12; Munster Youth Basketball 9-12; Orchestra 10-12; Tech Club 12
Logan Hoskins: Basketball 9; Theatre 10-12; Link Crew 11; Tech Club 11-12
Michael Hrinda: TEAMS 9-12, French Club 10-12 (co-President 12), Project X 10-12, Creative Writing Club 10-12, STAND 9-10, Spell Bowl 11, Link Crew 12, NHS 11-12

Khaleel Igue
Gabrielle Ingoglia: Dance 9-10, Project X 9-12, Speech & Debate 9; Spanish Club 9; Student Government 9; Track 9-12; Golf 9-12; DECA 9-12; We The People 11; Civics Club 11-12; NHS 11-12
Marco Ivetich: Football 9-12; Ping-Pong Club 9-10; Spanish Club 9-10; Student Government 10; DECA 10-12; Civics Club 10-12; We The People 11; Student Athletic Training 11-12; Project X 12; HOSA 12
Grace Iwachiw: Spanish Club 9-10; Habitat for Humanity 11
Chloe Jancosek: SONG 9-12; Chorale 10-12; ASL Club 12 (Officer 12); MTC 9-12 (Officer 11-12)

Malcolm Jasper
Jalen Johnson
Josiah Johnson
Sarah Johnson
Jack Jones: Spanish Club 9; Cross Country 9-12, Track 9-11; TEAMS 10-12; Debate 9-12; DECA 9

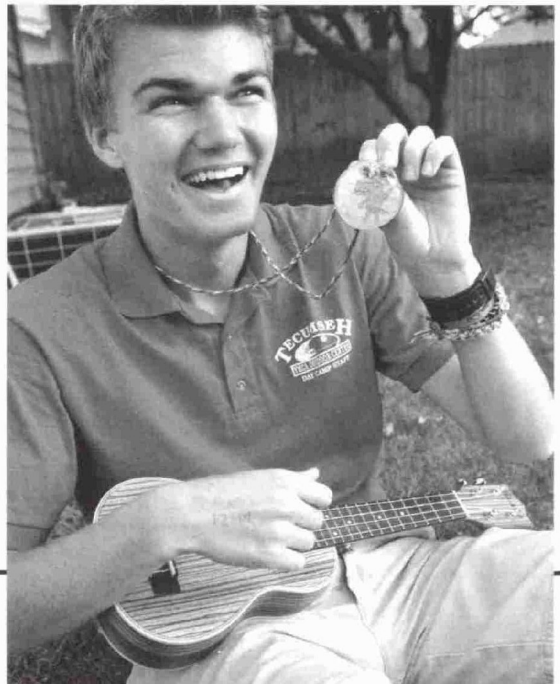
Mariah Juarez: Speech & Debate 11-12; ASL Club 11; Art Club 10-11; Munster Theatre Company 10-12
Amy Kaniewski: Athletic Trainer 9-12; Orchestra 9-10; Choir 9-11; Softball 9-12
Mihir Kansara
Daniel Kapitan: Marching Band 9-12; SING 12; Tech Club 12; Robotics Club 12
Nathan Kekelik

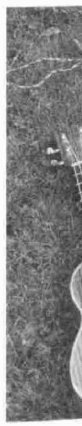


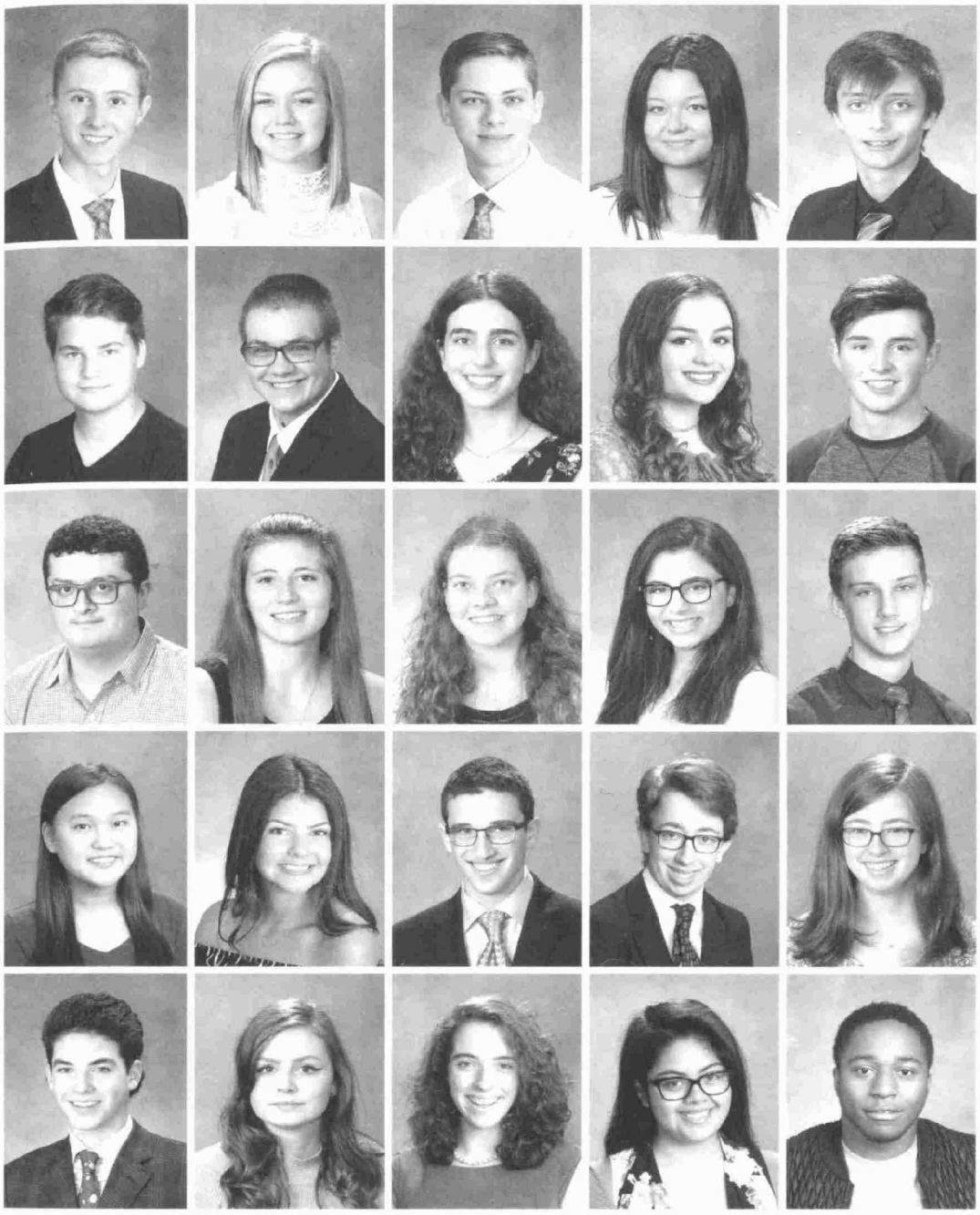
6 Summer Fun

Noah Moell, senior, spent last summer working as a camp counselor at Camp Tecumseh

"My favorite part of the camp was the kids. Playing with them makes my job not even a job anymore, it was just me genuinely having fun."
— Noah Moell, senior







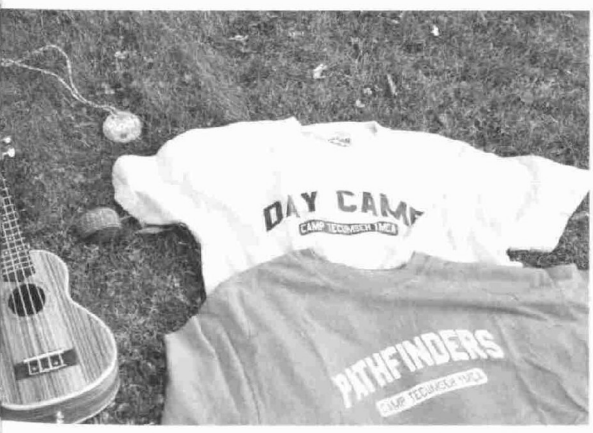
Scott Kenning: Science Olympiad 9-12; Debate 10-12; TEAMS 11-12
Paige Kessler
Christopher Kirincic: Chess Club 9-12; Track 9, 12; Spanish Club 10-12; DECA 9-12; Tech Club 12
Emma Klefeker
Brandon Kleist

Matthew Klys: Munster Theatre Company
Adam Kojich: Tech Club 12; Explorers 10-12; ASL Club 10-12; Robotics 9-10; Munster Theatre Company 11-12
Kali Konstantinopoulos: Science Olympiad 9-12 (Officer 12); Debate 9-12 (Captain 11-12); Orchestra 9-12; TEAMS 10-12; Environmental Science 11; Orchestra Council 10; Academic Super Bowl 10
Britney Kozinski
Cody Kranc

Kinan Kudaimi: Biddyball 10-12
Lauren Kuipers: ASL Club (Public Relations 12); Volleyball 9-12
Zoe Lakomek: ASL Club 9-12
Tara Layous: Student Government 9-12 (Student Body President 12); Speech & Debate 9-12; DECA 9-12 (VP 11); Munster Theatre Company 9-12; NHS 11-12; SONG 12
Ryan Leahy

Ji Yoon Lee: Orchestra 10-12 (Treasurer 11, 12); DECA 10-12; Project X 11-12; Spanish Club 11-12; Debate 10; Camerata 10
Mackenzie Leick
Matthew Levin: Poetry Club 9; Best Buddies 9; Project X 9-11; Jazz Band 9-12; Winter Percussion 9-12; Marching Band 9-12
Ethan Levy: Speech 9-10; Auditorium Staff 9-12; DECA 11-12 ;Track 10
Hannah Levy: Spanish Club 9; French Club 9-12; Track & Field 9-10; Auditorium Staff (House Manager 11-12); NHS 11-12

Merrick Lieser: Golf 9-12; DECA 11-12; Civics Club 11-12; Project X 11; MIT Launch Club 10; Student Government 9
Vaughn Lolkema
Silvia Lombardo: Speech & Debate 9-12; Choir 9-12; French Club 10-12; SONG 10-12; Chorale 11-12; Track & Field 9; Environmental Science 11-12 (co-President 11); Theatre 9-10; Auditorium Staff 9-11
Andrea Lopez
Eriyon Lott



Live Third With a smile on his face, Noah Moell, senior, shows off his Camp Tecumseh attire. Noah spent seven weeks as a counselor at the camp over the summer. "It was the most amazing thing in the world," Noah said. "Getting to have fun with kids and to see them having fun was the most rewarding thing ever."
Photo by Taylor Homans

Day Camp Laid out on the ground, Noah shows off two of his camp shirts, a ukelele, a hacky sack and his name tags. "I play the ukulele a lot for the little kids, they enjoy to sing while I play songs for them."
Photo by Taylor Homans

WHO'S ON YOUR LIST?

Who is your role model?

- ☐ Pablo Picasso — Molly Dolan, 12
- ☐ Derrick Rose — Jeshua Puge, 12
- ☐ Eminem — Joshua Ranich, 12
- ☐ Paul Walker — Noah Montoya, 12
- ☐ Olivia Foley — Jaycee Helmer 12
- ☐ Tyler the Creator — Mackenzie Leick, 12
- ☐ Dr.Phil — Jake Hemingway, 12

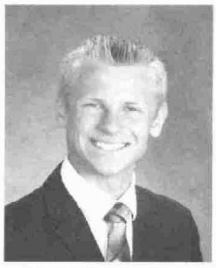
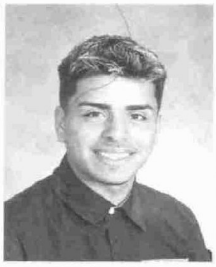
Justin Lukowski: Soccer 9-12; Project X 11; NHS 11-12

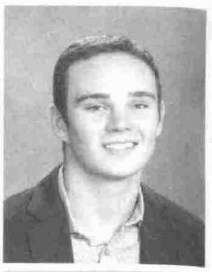
Elian Magana

Fatima Mahmood: SADD 11-12; Project X 11-12; ASL 12

Isabella Malagon: Tennis 9; Spanish Club 9-12 (VP 11, President 12); Athletic Trainer 11-12; Football Manager 11-12; Track 10-12; Link Crew 11-12; NHS 11-12; Orchestra 9-12

Thomas Maloney: Student Government 9; Speech & Debate 9; Basketball 9-12; DECA 10-12; NHS 11-12; Civics Club 12



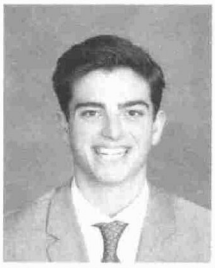
Aleksandra Manojlovic

Matthew Manous

Anna Marcuccilli

Anastasia Margaris: Best Buddies 9; Athletic Trainer 10,12; CEC 11-12

Lindsey Martin: Project X 11-12; STAND 10-12 (Secretary 11); ASL Club 10-12; SAAD 12; Habitat for Humanity 11



Jari Martinez

Silvia Martinez: Art Club 12; Creative Writing Club 12; Chorale 12

Sara Mavity: Softball 9-12; Soccer 9-10; Spanish Club 9-12 (VP 12); Project X 9-12; DECA 10,12; HOSA 11-12; NHS 11-12; Link Crew 11-12; Civics Club 12

Matthew McCraw

Amanda McCullough

Steven McDunn

James McKeever: Marching Band 9-12; Concert Band 9-12; Jazz Band 9-12; Pep Band 9-12; Winter Percussion 10-12; TEAMS 11-12; Academic Super Bowl 11-12; Link Crew 11-12; NHS 11-12

Christopher McLeod: ASL Club, 10-11, Track 9-12

Connor McLeod

Luciano Medina: Marching Band 9-12; Jazz Band 10-12; Winter Percussion 10-12; Wind Ensemble 9-12; NHS 11-12; Ping Pong Club 9

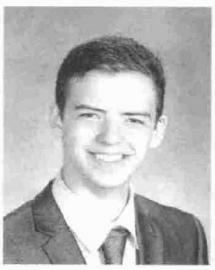
Brooke Metzger

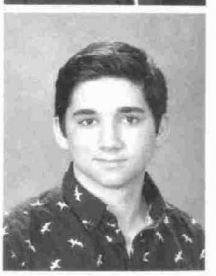
Connor Meyer: Speech & Debate 9-12; Civics Club 10-12 (VP 11, President 12); DECA 9-12; French Club 10-12 (co-President 11); Student Government 10-12; CEC 10-12; Science Olympiad 11-12; Academic Super Bowl 11-12; We the People 11; Tennis 12; Link Crew 11-12

William Michalski: Robotics 9; Ping Pong Club 9;

Kalie Miles: STAND 9; Volleyball 9-10 (Captain 9-10); Choir 9-10; Student Government 9-12; MTC 9-12 (Public Relations Manager 11) (President 12); Project X 10-11; Speech & Debate 11-12; Link Crew 11-12; NHS 12

Michael Miles: Hockey 9-12





WHO'S ON YOUR LIST?

Who is your role model?

- ☐ Mr. Gordon — Luke Banaszak, 12
- ☐ Mrs. Barnes — Kiele Brown, 12
- ☐ Toi Baylor — Taneigh Boyd, 12
- ☐ Nathelle Kaws — Lissette Araya, 12
- ☐ Tom Largys — Jacob Fitch, 12
- ☐ Mom — Helen Newton, 12

6 Weekly Trip

At Starbucks Sofia Zavala, senior, works on homework

"I went like three to four times a week. I always got the caramel frappuccino."
—Sofia Zavala, senior

Coffee and Cramming On her weekly trip to Starbucks Sofia Zavala, senior, looks at her computer. Sofia goes to Starbucks at least three times a week to study and do homework. "Usually whenever I go there (Starbucks), I always shut my phone down and get my coffee to focus," Sofia said. Photo by Megan Szymanski

Ian Miller
Ferrance Mittelberger: Band 9-11
Noah Moell: Soccer 9-12; Chess Club 9-12; Speech & Debate 9-12; Basketball 9; Baseball 9; Civics Club 10; Ping Pong 9-10; Tech Club 12
Chloe Moffett: Marching Band 9-11; Concert Band 9-12; Art Club 9-12 (President 11-12); Orchestra 10-12; Winter Percussion 10-12
Karina Monjaras: Volleyball 9-12 (Captain 12); NHS 11-12; Best Buddies 12; Project X 12-9; Spanish Club 9-10; Track & Field 9

Zackery Montes: Robotics 10-12 (President 12); Chess 9-12; Spanish Club 9-12
Noah Montoya: Baseball 9-10; Football 9-12
Braedin Moore
Robert Moore: Mascot 9-10
Taylor Moreno: Spanish Club 9-10; Project X 11-12; CEC Club 11-12; SADD Club 11-12; GSA 12

Emily Mudroncik: Project X 11-12; Dance 9-10; SADD 11-12; CEC 11-12; DECA 11; Speech & Debate 9; GSA 12; Paragon 12; Snowflurry 11-12; NHS 11-12; Civics Club 12
Citlali Munoz
Citlaly Munoz
Rebecca Munoz
Jack Murphy

Malak Musleh
Adam Nawab
Matilde Nelson: Spanish Club 9-10; Symphony Orchestra 9-12; Track & Field 11-12; Robotics 12
Helen Newton
Abigail Nita: Soccer 9-12; Track & Field 9-12 (Captain 12); Project X 9-12 (Executive Council 11, President 12); NHS 11-12; Spanish Club 9-12; Civics Club 11-12; We The People 11; DECA 10,12; Speech & Debate 9-10

Kwame Nnuro-Frimpong
Joshua Novosel: Golf 9-12; Ping Pong Club 9-10
Christina Nowaczyk
Lauryn Nunez: Symphony Orchestra 9-12; Orchestra Council 10-12 (VP 11, President 12); Speech & Debate 10-11; Spanish Club 9-10; Spell Bowl 10; Project X 11; Soccer 9
Connor Nussbaum

7 Meatheads Friday

Good friends and seniors Michael Hrinda and Silvia Lombardo go to Meatheads

"We played hangman pretty often. We would take a napkin and start playing hangman."
—Michael Hrinda, senior

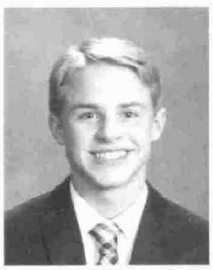
Lively Conversation While in Meatheads seniors, Michael Hrinda and Silvia Lombardo laughed together. Last year they started to go to Meatheads after school on Fridays. "So this year we made the decision that Fridays had to be Meatheads day." Michael said.
Photo by Sydney Pastor

WHO'S ON YOUR LIST?

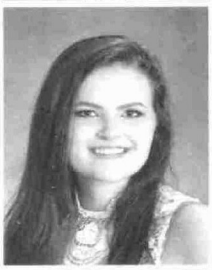
Who is your role model?

- ☐ Alondra Lopez — Amanda Chipules, 12
- ☐ I am my role model — Chris Kirincic, 12
- ☐ Barack Obama — Vince Ivetich, 12
- ☐ Roger ReFederer — Kelli Canul, 12
- ☐ Olivia Foley — Elise Garcia, 12
- ☐ Patrick Speranza — Matt Levin, 12
- ☐ Mr.Clyne — Camryn Stassin 12

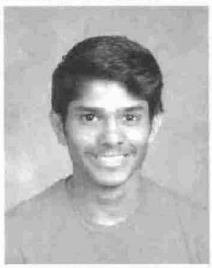
Colin O'Brien
Megan O'Brien
Zoe O'Dea: Color Guard 9-10; Winter Guard 9-11; Theatre 9-10; SONG 10-12; French Club 9-10; Chorale 11-12
Arlee O'Shaughnessy: Project X 11; Marching Band 9-12; Wind Ensemble 9-12; Winter Percussion 10-12
Adaobi Okolocha: Speech & Debate 9-12; DECA 10-12; NHS 12; Civics Club 11-12; Poetry Club 11-12 (Treasurer 12); SADD 11-12; Student Government 12; CEC 11

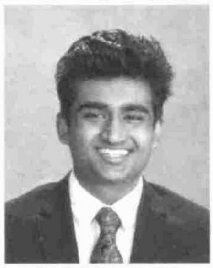


Ameerah Omar: Project X 10-11; NHS 11-12; Best Buddies 12; DECA 11-12
Diana Ortiz
Vanessa Pascual: Project X 11-12; Theatre 9-12; Choir 9-12 (Chorale 12); ASL Club 12 (President 12); SADD 12; Color Guard 11; Winter Guard 10; Cheer 12; Athletic Trainter 11
Ryanna-Kimberly Pastrana: Band 9-12; French Club 10-12; Project X 10
Aneri Patel: Spanish Club 11-12; French Club 11-12; Project X 11; Marching Band 9-12

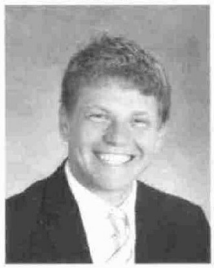
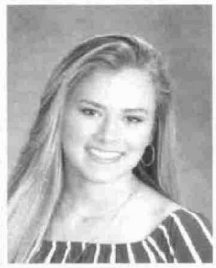


Sunny Patel
Halen Paz: Project X 10-12; ASL Club 12 (VP 12)
Khavand Peddi: DECA 9-12; Civics Club 11-12; Link Crew 11; MIT Launch 10; Project X 9-12; NHS 11-12; Track & Field 11-12; Soccer 9-10
Alexis Pedraza: Volleyball 9-11 (Captain 9-10); Scholar Athlete 9-11; Spanish Club 9-10; Project X 9-12; DECA 9-12; Ping Pong Club 9; NHS 11-12; Civics Club 12; SADD 9-10
Julia Pena

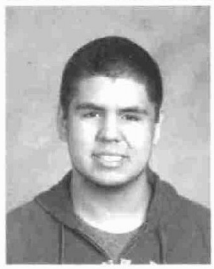


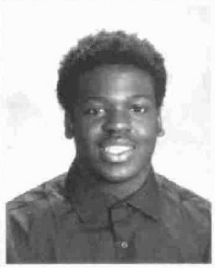


Amanda Perez: Band 9-10; Orchestra 11-12; Project X 10-12
Tracy Perezchica
Cody Phillips: Science Olympiad 10-12; Academic Super Bowl 10; TEAMS 11-12; Theatre 11-12; Cross Country 11-12; Golf 9; Football 9; Chorale 11-12; NHS 11-12; Link Crew 11-12
Battle of the Bands 10-12
Brianna Plemons: Softball 9-10; HOSA 11-12; Project X 12
Payten Pratt

Alejandro Presutti
Emma Progler: Project X 9-10
Jeshua Pugh: Football
Katherine Radde: Science Olympiad 9-12; Project X 9-12 (VP 12); Dance Team 9-10 (Captain 10); CEC 9-12; NHS 11-12; Spanish Club 9-11
Rebecca Radtke: Softball 9-12 (Captain 11-12); NHS 11-12; Project X 10-11; DECA 10,12; Cheerleading 9; Spanish Club 9





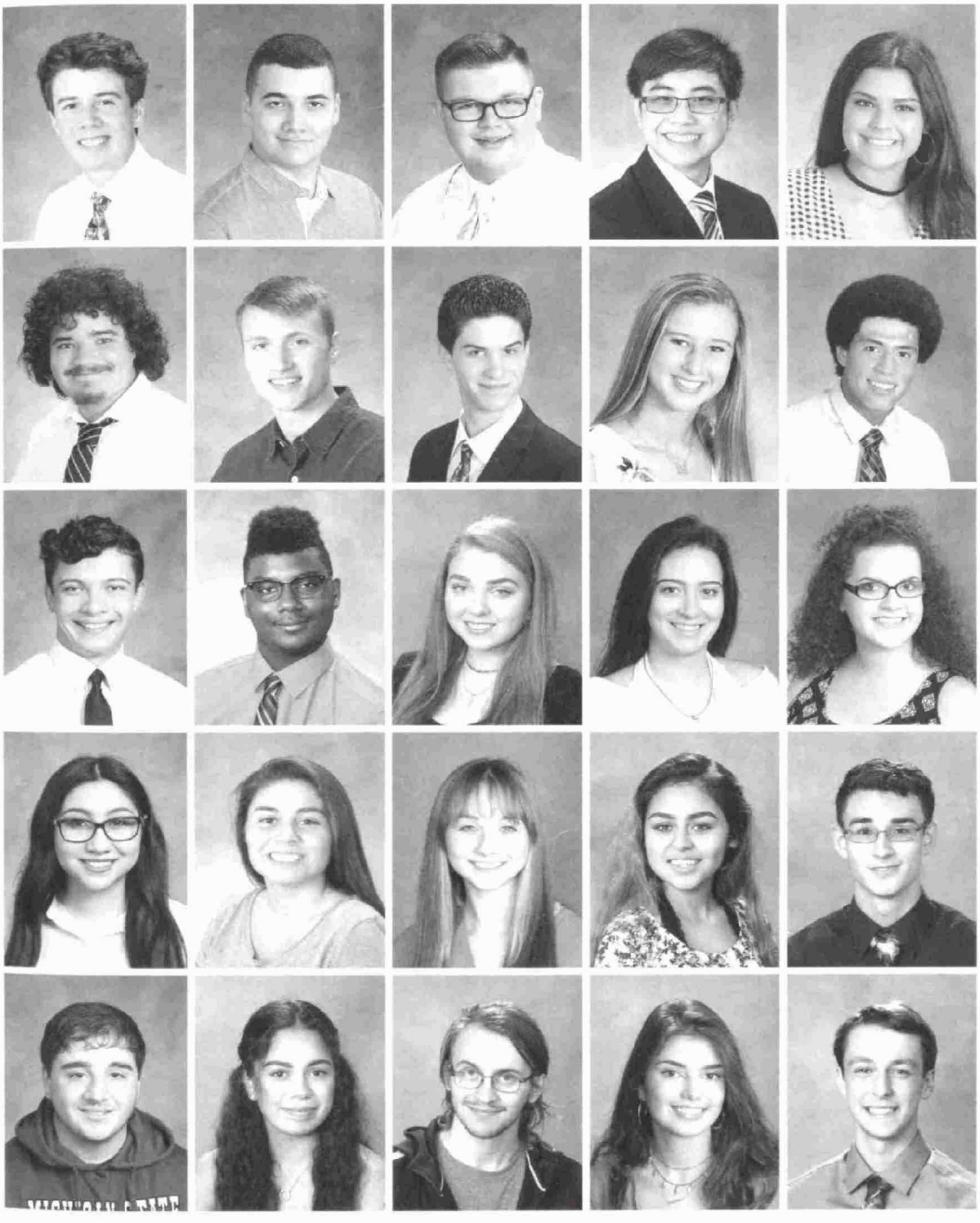
On the road again Before heading down to IU Bloomington Katie Dedelow and Bella Blackford, seniors, make sure the directions are set and they have everything they need. They usually leave Friday after school or Saturday morning. "We always pack our blow-up mattress," Katie said. Photo by Taylor Homans

Road trip Caputing there adventures on the road is a go to thing for Katie and Bella. You can always see funny Snapchat stories during there trip"We love seeing the different filters when we get to different parts of Indiana," Bella said. Photo by Taylor Homans

9 Showing their Hoosier Pride

Taking on college life early, Katie Dedelow and Bella Blackford, seniors, spend weekends at IU Bloomington

"We usually stay with Mary Pugh (class of 2015), she was fun and let us sleep in her room "
—Bella Blackford, senior



Carson Ramirez: Baseball 9-12
Joshua Ranich
Andrew Rapata: Track 9-10; Football 9-12 (Captain 12); Wind Ensemble 9-12; Jazz Band 9-12; Pep Band 9-12; Orchestra 9-12 (Section Leader 10-12)
Ben Rasamimari
Victoria Reardon: Spanish Club 9-10; Projext X 9-11; Ping Pong Club 9-10; CEC Club 11-12, SADD Club 11-12, GSA 12, Paragon 12; Snowflurry 11-12; Civics Club 12

Justin Reba
Adam Reinsma
Cody Reinsma: Football 9; Speech 10; Theater 10; Ping Pong Club 9, 12; ASL Club 12; Project X 12; Volleyball (Manager 11)
Abigail Resch: Volleyball 9-11; Track & Field 9-10; Project X 9-11
Joseph Richard

Aaron Richards
Jenai Richards: Band 9-12; GSA 11-12; Orchestra 12
Maeve Riley
Breanna Riordan: Chorale 12; ASL Club 11-12; GSA 9; Theatre 11-12
Abigail Rivera

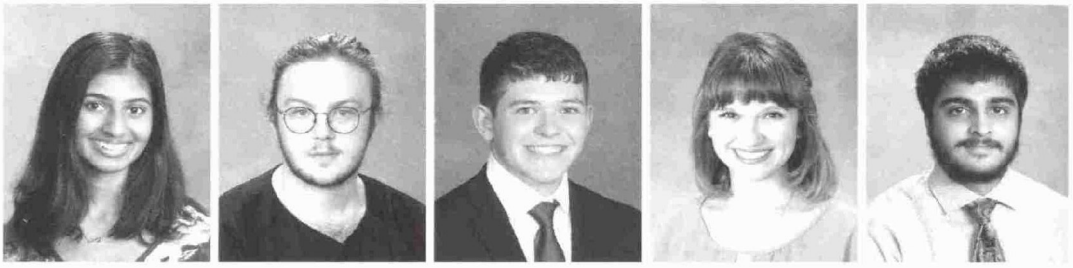
Samantha Rivera: Art Club 10-12; Poetry Club 9-12
Verania Rivera: Spanish Club 9; Best Buddies 9,11-12; Project X 9,11-12; Athletic Trainer 10-11, Basketball 9
Olivia Rivich
Izabelle Rodriguez
Joseph Roe: Robotics 10-12; Spanish Club, 10-12; Marching Band, 9-12; Jazz Band, 9-11; Ping Pong Club, 11; Tech Club 12; CEC 12; SADD 12

Logan Rogers
Sonya Rosales
Michael Rozmus
Maria Rucinski
Anthony Ruffalo

Osama Safi: Wrestling 10; Cross Country 9, 12; Track 11
Sophia Sakelaris
Natalia Salazar
James Salisbury
Samuel Sanchez

Carrington Sanders
Ravani Sansoya: Project X 9-12; Spanish Club 9-11; ASL Club 11; GSA 12; Poetry Club 12; DECA 9-12; Best Buddies 9, 11; Track & Field 10
Ashley Savickis: Spanish Club 11; Project X 11-12; Softball 9; Softball 10
Morgan Schoon: Softball 9; Basketball 9; Swimming 11; ASL Club 10
Fayth Schutter: Theatre 9-11; French Club 9-12; Color Guard 10; Creative Writing Club 10-12; Chorale 10-12; SONG 11-12; NHS 11-12

Jenna Sell: Track 9-10
Dominick Servi
Francesca Servi
Isabella Servi
Maxwell Servi



Ria Shah: Speech & Debate 9, ASL 9-10, Ping Pong Club 9-10, Project X 10-12, Best Buddies 9-12, SADD 9-12, DECA 9-12, Tennis 9-12
Nathan Sharpe
Benjamin Shelton: Track 10-12 (Captain 11-12); Link Crew 11-12
Alexandria Shinkan: Speech & Debate 9-12 (President 12); NHS 12; Munster Theatre Company 9-10, 12; Auditorium Staff 9-10; CEC 9, 11-12; TEAMS 10-12; Link Crew 11-12
Owais Siddiqui: Basketball 9-10; Football 9; Spanish Club 10, 11; SADD 11; Track & Field 9-10; Robotics 11; Ping Pong Club 10

WHO'S ON YOUR LIST?

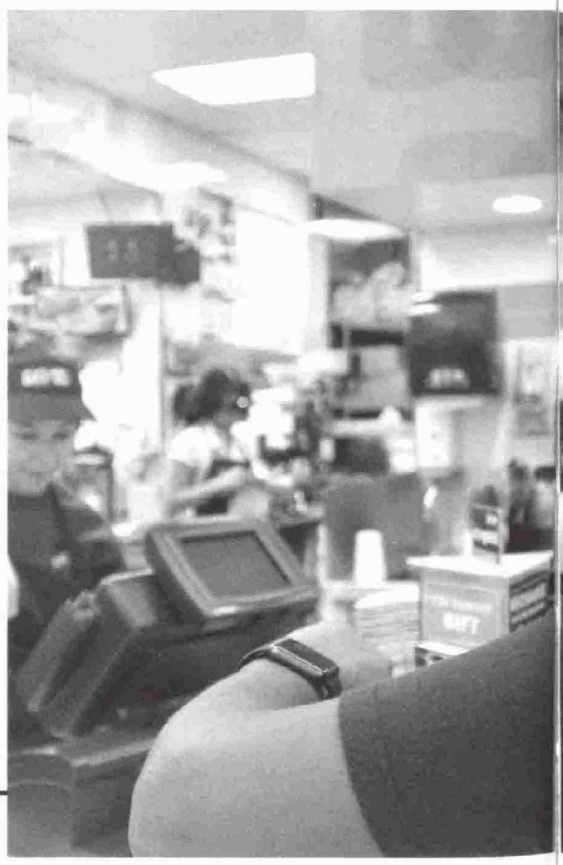
Who is your role model?

- ☐ Dr. Phil — Jake Hemingway, 12
- ☐ Alondra Lopez — Amanda Chipukes, 12
- ☐ Michael Scott — Veranio Rivera, 12
- ☐ Spongebob — Evan Dubose, 12
- ☐ Elon Musk — Guhao Chen, 12
- ☐ Lil Peep — Sam Rivera, 12
- ☐ Kim Possible — Michael Hrinda, 12

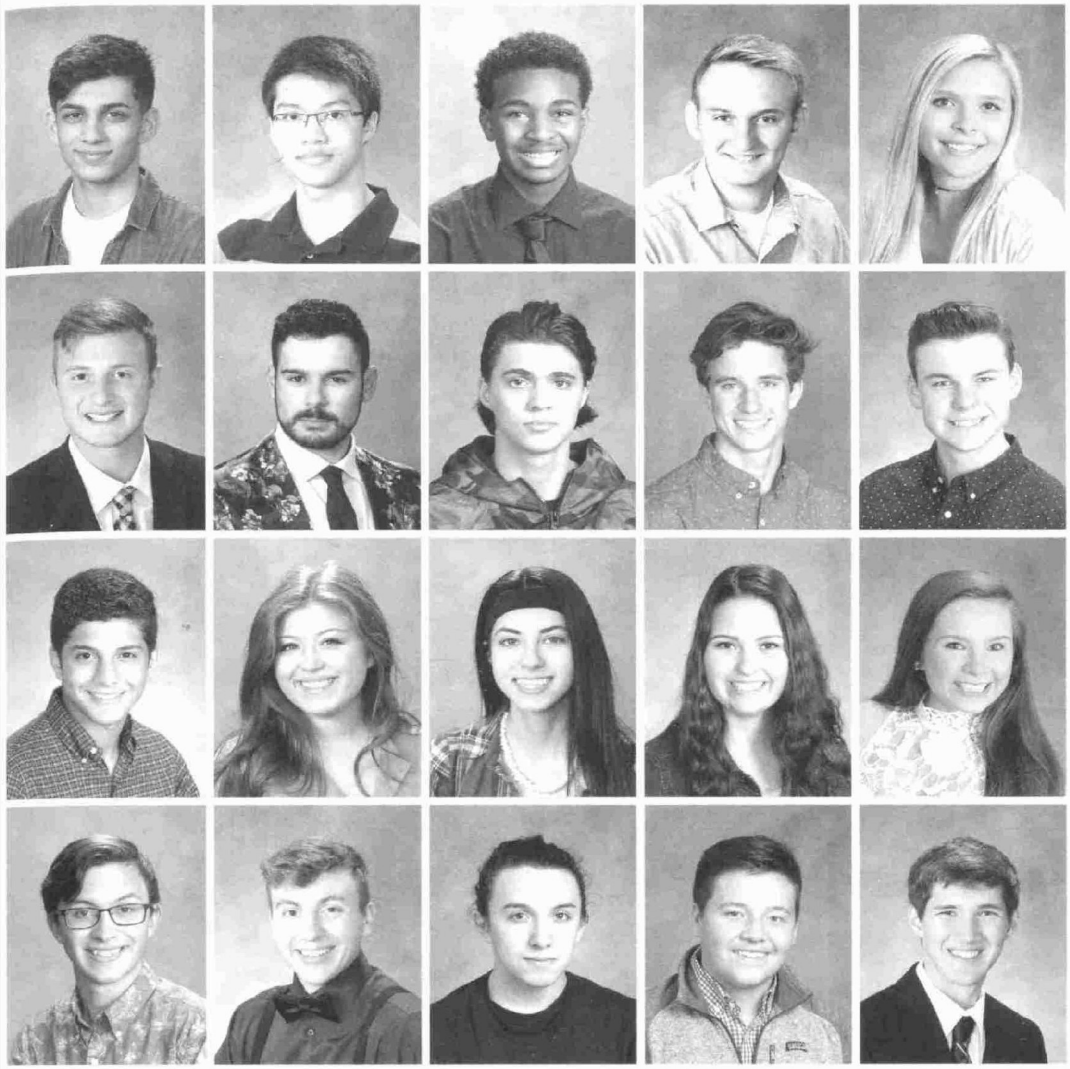
10 Daily Dunkin'

After band practice, Aneri Patel, senior, and friends met at Dunkin' Donuts to drink coffee and play cards

"I was checking my watch to see what time it was. Apparently it was happy hour."
— Aneri Patel, senior



Coffee Run While ordering her medium ice coffee, Aneri Patel, senior, looks at her Apple watch. She started to go to Dunkin' Donuts everyday after band practice. "My favorite part of going to Dunkin' Donuts was just hanging out with friends, because we would be leaving next year," Aneri said. Photo by Elizabeth Fonseca



Rayyan Siddiqui
Brandon Silver
Cameron Smith: SADD 9-12; DECA 10-12; Spanish Club 10-11; Snowflurry 11-12; Ping-Pong Club 9-10; Biddyball 10-11
Russell Smith
Allison Snyder: Best Buddies 10-12 (Peer Buddy 12); NHS 11-12; SADD 12; Softball 9; Basketball 11; Track 11

Kyle Snyder
Noah Sohacki
Ryan Sonnenberg
Alec Spicer
Samuel Springsteen: Project X 11; Speech 12; DECA 12

Laith Srour: Soccer 9-12
Emily Staniszewski
Amy Stankiewicz
Camryn Stassin
Lauren Stofko: Cheerleading 9-12 (co-Captain 12); Golf 9-11; Project X 11; NHS 11-12; Speech & Debate 9, 12

Jason Stout: Band 9-12; Robotics 10-12 (VP 12); Spanish Club 12
Jack Strimel
David Suarez
Mitchell Switalla
Nicholas Szala

11 The Visit of a Lifetime

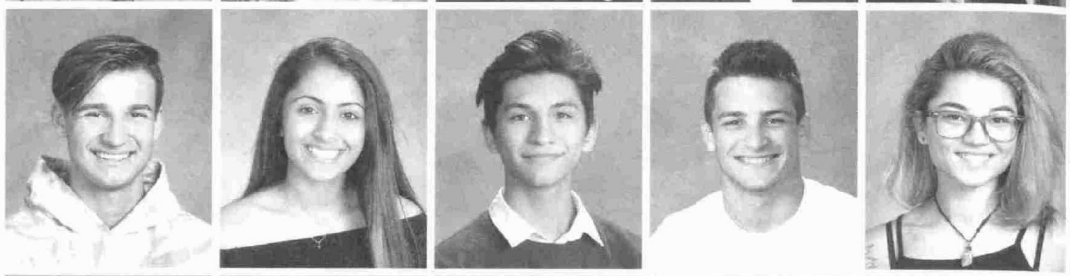
Wearing her Indiana University spirit wear, Alainna Carey, senior, plans to attend college in Bloomington after graduating

"I was excited to go IU because I heard a lot of positive things about that the students, professors, and college life at IU, it truly was the best."
—Alainna Carey, senior

Plans for the Future Alainna visited Indiana University campus in Bloomington to get a feel for the environment, student body and to see how the campus looked. "IU was close enough to home so I could visit on the weekends, but far enough away where I didn't have to be bothered by my family everyday," she said!
Photo by Nicole Roberts

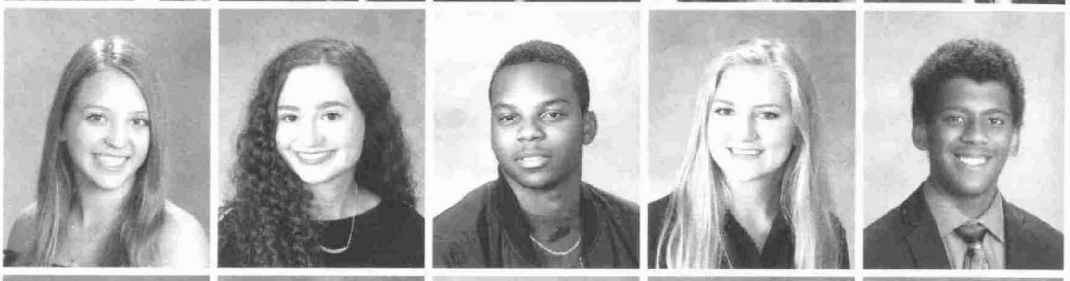
Matthew Tabaczynski: Track 9; Wrestling 9-10
Jessica Tarpo
Caleb Thomas: Wrestling 9-12
Ryan Thometz: Baseball 9-12; Project X 10-12; ASL Club 11-12; Spanish Club 9; Slowflurry 10-12
Meagan Thornburg: Athletic Trainer 9-12 (President 12), Best Buddies 10-12 (VP 12), CEC 9-12, Softball 9-12, Spanish Club 10

Chase Tomko
Jasmine Toor: Marching Band 9-10; Track 9-10; We The People 11; Project X 9-12; Spanish Club 9-11; DECA 9-12; CEC 9-12
Evan Torres
Tylor Torres-Regnier
Olivia Truett: Auditorium Staff 9-10; GSA 9-10; Poetry Club 10



Makayla Tubbs
Xavier Unzueta: Baseball 9-12; Link Crew 11-12
Kestutis Vaitkus
Hansa Vavilala: Cross Country 9-12 (Captain 12); Debate 9-12 (Secretary 11-12); DECA 9-12; Orchestra (Senior Representative 12); Civics Club (Secretary 12); CEC 9-12; NHS 11-12
Easan Venkat: Speech & Debate 9-12, Tennis 9-12, Golf 9-12, Crier 10-12, DECA 9-12, Civics Club 9-12, We The People 11, Student Government 12, Link Crew 12

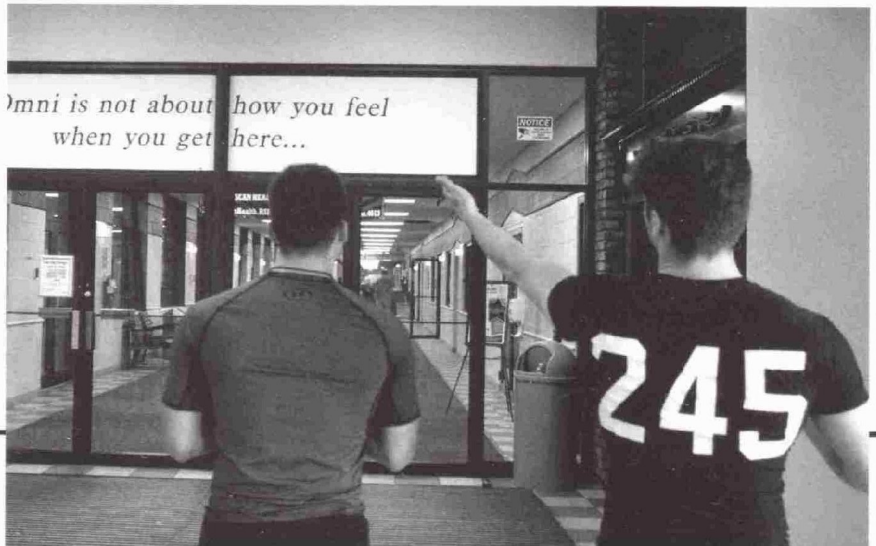
Kaylie Vickers
Aileen Wagner: Best Buddies 9-12 (Secretary 10-12); Cross Country 9-12; Track & Field 9-10; Spanish Club 9-12; NHS 11-12
Eric Wallace
Sarah Wanicki: Track 9-12; Basketball 9-10; Cross Country 9; ASL Club 10-12; Best Buddies 9-12; Project X 11; CEC 12
Reed Watkins: Soccer 9-12; DECA 10-12



JJennifer Watterson: Link Crew 11-12; Soccer 9-10; Basketball 9-11; Golf 11-12; Tennis 10-12; NHS 12
Alexander Weakland
Vivian Wei: Science Olympiad 10-12; Project X 9-12; DECA 9-12; French Club 10-12
Michael Weiner
Laura Weller: Robotics 9-12

12 Gains, Gains, Gains

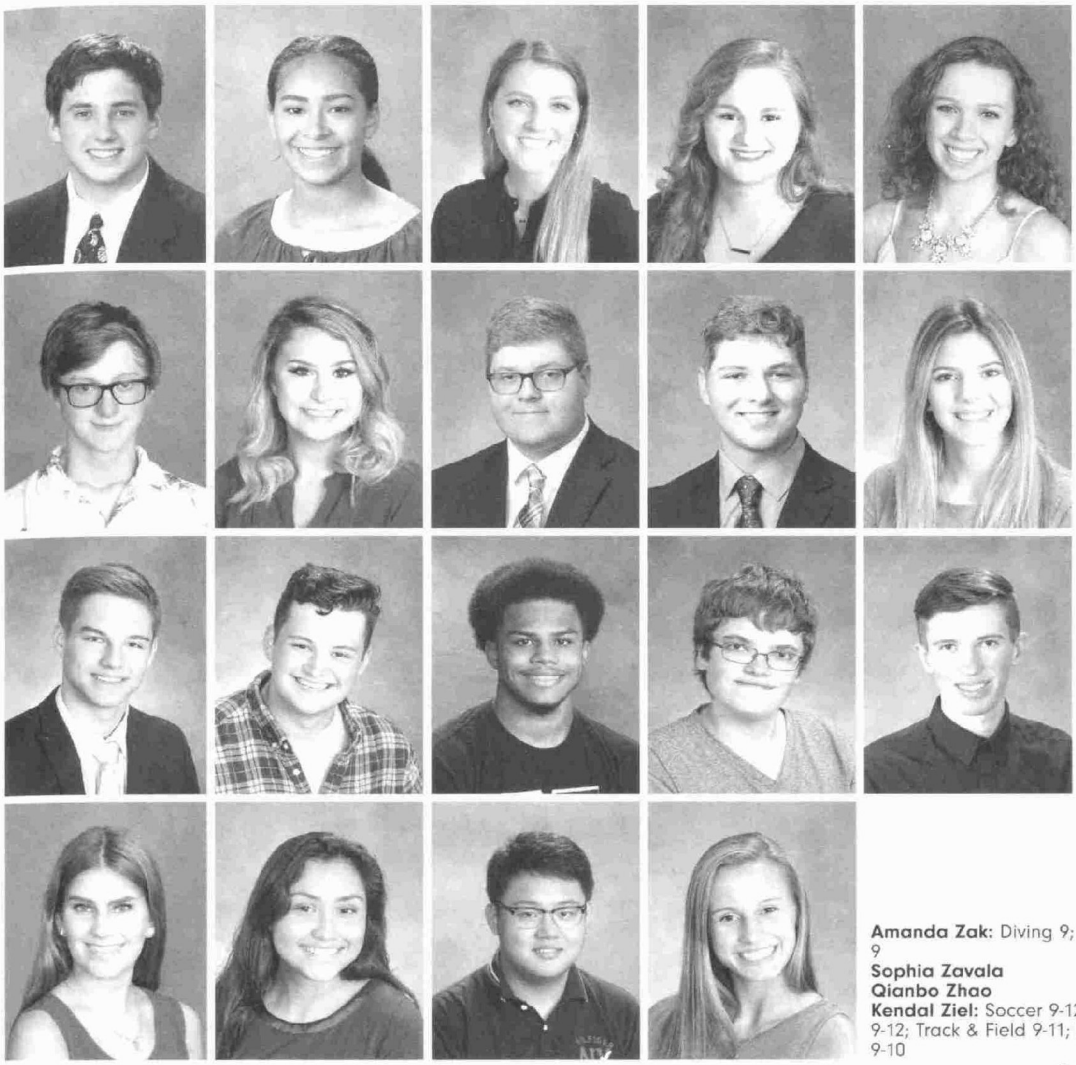
A day never goes by where Justin Gill and Justin Brent, seniors, aren't in the gym, lifting weights and making gains at the Omni Fitness Center in Schererville



"I usually liked to workout my upper body and I liked to use the bench press" —Justin Brent, senior

Hitting the Gym Even with school and work, seniors, Justin Gill and Justin Brent still find time out of their day to work on their fitness. Both seniors loved lifting and keeping fit and each day they rotated to which part of the body they wanted to work on. "We went to Omni because all my friends and I had a membership and can workout together," Justin said.

Photo by Taylor Homans



Robert Wente
Autumn Whaley: Cheerleading 9-10, ASL Club 12
Jessica Wiess: Spanish Club 10-12; Project X 10-12; NHS; Tennis 10-12
Erin Wilkens: Volleyball 9; STAND 9; GSA 10
Victoria Williams: Spanish Club 9-12; Project X 9-12; ASL Club 11; NHS 11-12; Dance 9-12 (Captain 10)

Ethan Witt
Megan Wolski: Ping Pong Club 9; Spanish Club 9-10; Speech & Debate 9; Softball 9; Snowflurry 9-12; Student Government 9-12; Project X; 11-12; CEC 11-12; Lacrosse 11-12; Creative Writing 11; DECA 11-12; Paragon 12; Civics Club 11-12; SADD 12
Ian Woolsey
Samuel Woolsey
Alexandra Wright: Speech 9; Volleyball 9 (Captain 9); DECA 9-11; Project X 9-12; Civics Club 12; Link Crew 12

Joseph Yoniles
Jeremiah Yuhas
Andrew Zachary
Jason Zajac
Andrew Zajakowski

Amanda Zak: Diving 9; Orchestra 9
Sophia Zavala
Qianbo Zhao
Kendal Ziel: Soccer 9-12; Link Crew 9-12; Track & Field 9-11; Basketball 9-10

Not pictured

Ryan Brewer
Deahrion Bruce-Jones
Raheem Butler
Marco Chavez
Amanda Chipules
Deandre Christian
Naya Culpepper
Nicholas Curski
Stephanie Edet
Rashaun Flanagan-Seels
Maya Galvez
Sarah Gandarilla
Elijah Huggins
Jordan Hyberger
Keegan Kisala
Ubaid Ur Mohammed
Nimeh Musleh
Michael Nieminski
Samantha O'Donnell
Alyssa Pawlik
Alec Samardzich
Nicholas Swanson
Bethany Van Prooyen
Michelle Wojciechowski

WHO'S ON YOUR LIST?

Who is your role model?

- ☐ Neymar Jr — Payten Pratt, 12
- ☐ Pitbull — Ryan Thomete, 12
- ☐ Cristiano Ronaldo — Andrew Zalakowski, 12
- ☐ Elise Garcia — Olivia Foley, 12
- ☐ Mrs. Samantha Ebert — Ally Snyder, 12
- ☐ Mr. Kevin Clyne — Emma Progler, 12
- ☐ Emma Watson — Kali Konstantinopoulos, 12

What goes on outside the Classroom?

All teachers have to grade papers and write tests, but what do they do in their free time? One teacher, primarily from each grade, shares a little bit about their life outside of all the school work

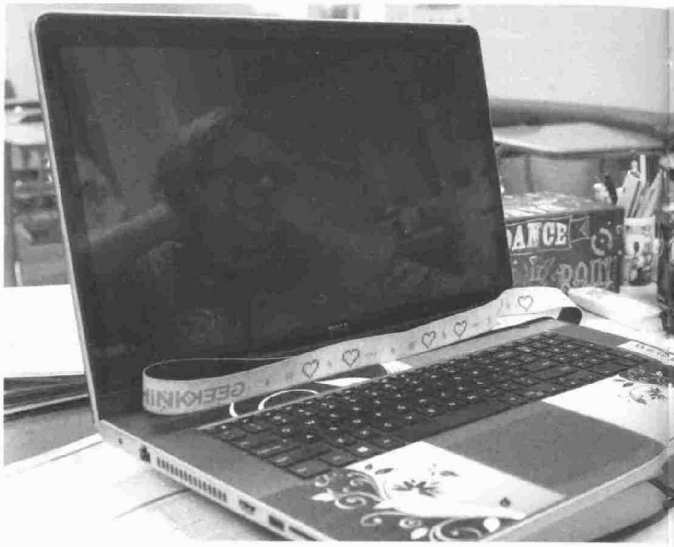
reporting by Megan Wolski, Sydney Pastor and Emily Mudrocik

9th Gamer for Life

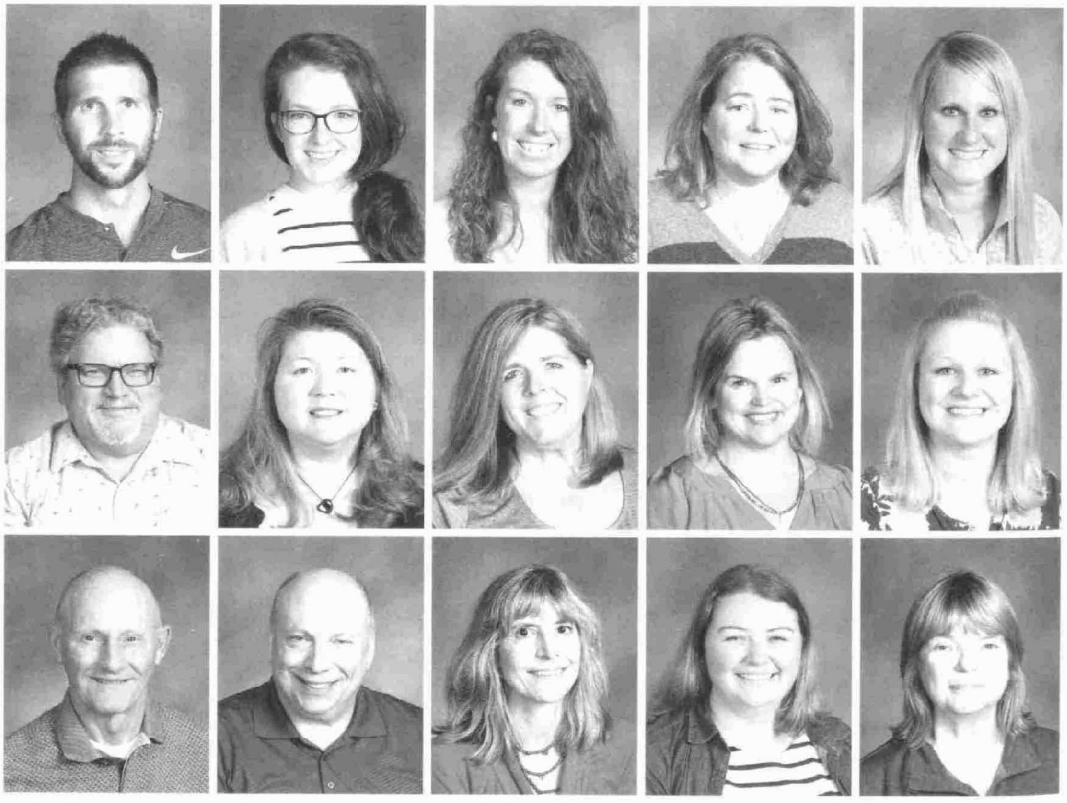
Mrs. Lyndee Govert, math teacher, tells about her passion for gaming

"When I was working as a loan manager at a bank (this was in my early twenties), when Final Fantasy-X and X-2 came out, I took a vacation. Not joking, not joking at all, I took a three day vacation, on a Tuesday, because that was when it was released to sit in my room and play this game. I ordered pizza three times in three days. My roommate was like 'Are you okay?' And I was like 'Yeah, I'm just playing a game'. I am a first generation video game addict."
—Mrs. Lyndee Govert, math teacher

Lifeline The PlayStation controller is just one of Mrs. Lyndee Govert's most prized possessions. She was very involved in her son's life and said that she would do anything for him, and often, they liked to play video games together; they even had their own gaming YouTube channel. "I play a lot of video games... That's not all because of [my son] though... A lot of that is me," Mrs. Govert said. Photo by Sydney Pastor



Double Life Talking about what she does outside of grading papers, math teacher, Mrs. Govert, mentions her relationship with gaming. Throughout her college years, she had grown to love video games. More recently, she played them in the free time she found in between being a teacher, wife, and mother." I love to play video games but I just don't have time to do it like I used to," Govert said. Photo by Sydney Pastor



Mr. Jacob Argenta: Business, Prep for College & Careers, Asst. Boys' Basketball Coach
Mrs. Kelly Barnes: English 9, Honors English 9, Poetry Club Sponsor
Mrs. Crystal Blanton: Algebra
Ms. Tanya Breyne: West Lake aid
Mrs. Marissa Clabaugh: West Lake English

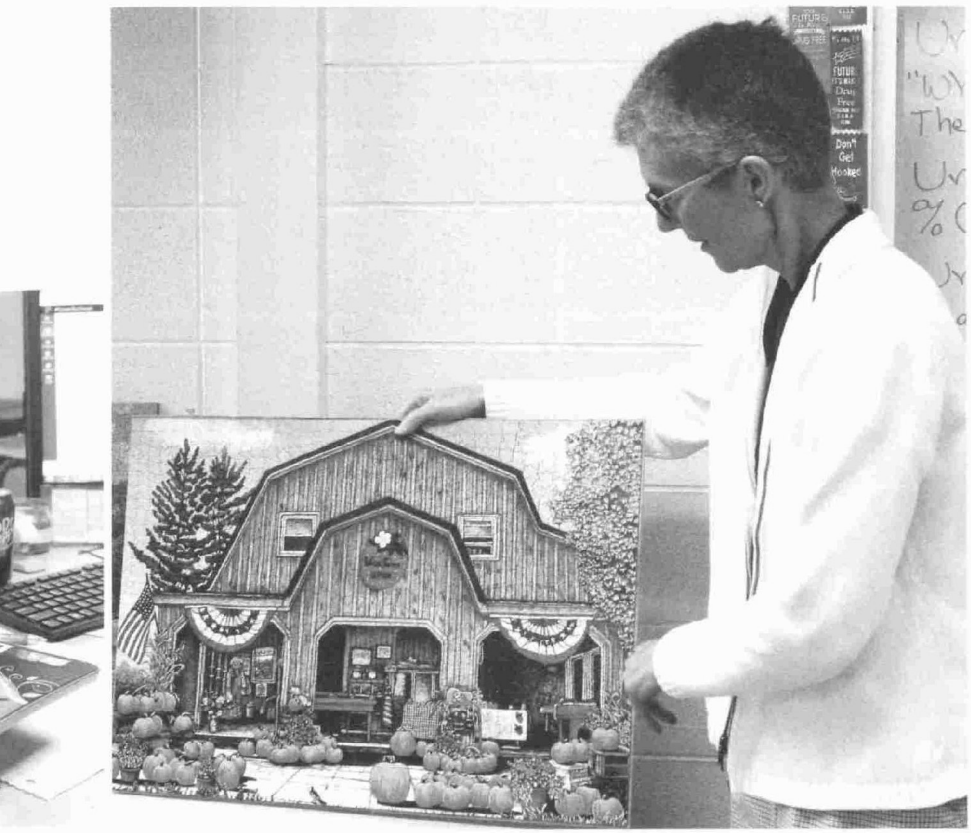
Mr. Kevin Clyne: English 11, English 12, Creative Writing Club Sponsor
Mrs. Tammy Daugherty: AP English Literature, AP English Literature & Composition, English Department Chair
Mrs. Deborah Delooff: Student Services
Mrs. Jennifer Dettlo: Spanish II, World Language Department Chair
Mrs. Samantha Ebert: Biology, Integrated Chemistry & Physics, Principles of Biomedical Sciences

Mr. Carl Fields: Ceramics I, II, III & IV, Sculpture
Mr. Donald Fortner: Economics, AP Economics, Social Studies Department Chair
Mrs. Audrey Fuhs: Spanish I & II, Ping Pong Club Sponsor
Ms. Hannah Fus: ASL I & II, ASL Club Sponsor
Mrs. Beth Gibbs: Student Services

10th The Perfect Fit

Ms. Kelly Haussman, science teacher, displays complicated puzzles she constructs in her free time

"Some kids didn't realize that I changed them. I changed them every month, I only did them at home and then I brought [the puzzles] in."
—Ms. Kelly Haussman, science teacher



Perfect Puzzle Displayed around her room, Mrs. Haussman, Chemistry teacher, shows us her favorite puzzles and why she enjoys doing them at her house. She worked on each puzzle for about three weeks on and off, each consisting of one-thousand five hundred pieces to two-thousand pieces. "I change them every month and I've been doing them so long, I can't remember why I started," said Ms. Haussman. Photo by Megan Wolski

Ms. Lisa Gonzalez: West Lake aid
Mr. Michael Gordon: Government, AP Government
Mrs. Lyndee Govert: Algebra, Geometry, Robotics Sponsor
Mr. Peter Gregory: Guidance Counselor
Mrs. Kathleen Gross: English 10

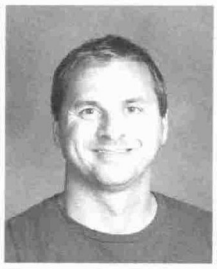
Mr. Michael Hackett: Health, Physical Education, Basketball Coach
Mrs. Kay Hansen: Guidance
Mrs. Katherine Harris: Algebra, Honors Algebra, Math Department Chair, Senior CEC Sponsor
Ms. Kelly Haussman: Chemisty, Integrated Chemistry & Physics
Mr. Joshua Herold: U.S. History, Ancient World History, Freshman Football Coach

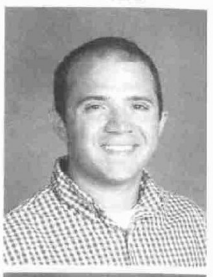
Mrs. Amanda Holloway: English 9, English 12
Mr. Gabriel Isenblatter: School Resource Officer
Mrs. Jennifer Johnson: Ceramics I
Mr. Matthew Kalwasinski: AP Psychology, Freshman Football Coach
Mr. Keith Koszut: Physics, AP Physics, Integrated Chemistry & Physics, Academic Teams Director

Mrs. Michele Kutemeier: West Lake
Ms. Sarah-Anne Lanman: Journalism, Photography, Newspaper, Yearbook, Composition, Creative Writing, Publications Director
Mrs. Brook Lemon: English 9, English 12
Mrs. Elena Lopez: Intro to 2D Art, Painting, Drawing, AP Art, Art Club Sponsor
Mrs. Rosemary Malagon: Spanish II & III, Spanish Club Sponsor

Mr. Andrew Martin: Algebra, Geometry, Asst. Football Coach
Mr. Jordan Mayer: Speech, Debate, English 11, Speech & Debate Director
Mr. James McNabney: English 11, English 12
Mrs. Teresa Needles: West Lake
Mr. Morgan Nolan: Assistant Principal, Link Crew Sponsor

Mrs. Kim O'Banion: West Lake aid
Mr. Raymond Palasz: Auditorium Director, Thespians Sponsor
Mr. Matt Pavlovich: Physical Education, Lifesaving, Girls' & Boys' Swimming Coach
Mrs. Kimberly Peirick: AP Computer Science, Intro to Business, Web Design
Mr. Kurt Popovich: Director of Technology





Ms. Brianne Rubesha: Biology, Girls' Cross Country Assistant Coach, JV Girls' Basketball Coach
Mrs. Judy Sayre: West Lake aid
Ms. Charity Schmidt: Physical Education, Freshmen Girls' Basketball Coach
Ms. Caryn Slosser: West Lake aid
Mr. Richard Sluder: AP Human Geography, Advanced Sociology, Boys' Cross Country Coach, Girls' Track & Field Coach

WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

What is your biggest teaching pet peeve?

- ☐ inattentive students — Mrs. Elena Lopez, Art teacher
- ☐ Laziness — Mrs. Amanda Holloway, English teacher
- ☐ Wasting time — Mr. Steven Lopez, history teacher
- ☐ Apathy — Mr. Michael Gordon, government teacher
- ☐ Deviousness — Mr. Richard Sluder, social studies teacher
- ☐ Selective hearing — Mrs. Tammy Daugherty, English teacher
- ☐ No effort — Mrs. Nicole Storck, science teacher

11th Side Soccer

Mr. Dusan Vidovic, math teacher, shows off his jersey from his soccer league

"At first, the shirt was more of a prototype but everyone thought that it was so funny that it stuck around"
— Mr. Dusan Vidovic, math teacher

Down and Dirty Looking at his jersey from a Serbian soccer club he used to play on, math teacher, Mr. Dusan Vidovic, explains the league. During the season, he would play many different teams including the Purdue Calumet soccer team. "I mainly joined to be social," Mr. Vidovic said. Photo by Emily Mudronik

Mr. William Smitka: U.S. History, AP Psychology, Boys' & Girls' Golf Coach
Mr. Robert Snyder: Assistant Principal
Mrs. Bridget Speranza: Orchestra Director
Ms. Kristen Szafasz: Modern History, Sociology, Civics Club Sponsor
Mrs. Betsy Tanzillo: Media Center

Mr. Nathaniel Thompson: Earth-Space Science, eSports Sponsor
Mrs. Olimpia Tienstra: Student Services
Ms. Ashley Trichak: West Lake aid
Mr. Steven Tripenfeldas: Assistant Superintendant
Ms. Sharon Vail: Guidance Counselor

Mr. Dusan Vidovic: Algebra, Junior CEC Sponsor
Ms. Josie Visi: West Lake aid
Mr. Michael Wells: Principal
Ms. Leigh Ann Westland: English 10, Project X Sponsor, Junior CEC Sponsor
Ms. Jill Wichert: Study Hall Supervisor, Speech Coach, JV Softball Coach

Mrs. Linda Zaborowski: Bookkeeper
Mrs. Valerie Zemaitis: Assistant Principal

12th School House Rock

Mr. Jim McNabney, English teacher, strums a tune on his old bass he played as a teen while looking back on his high school days

"It was a great joy to express myself through music; I got into [music] in the 1980s. The music teachers would show up to the schools with different instruments."
—Mr. Jim McNabney, English teacher

Listen Up Strumming his first electric bass, Mr. Jim McNabney, English teacher, explains why he loves playing the instrument. He started with the stand up bass and as he got older discovered the electric bass that he now uses to play in a band with some friends. "I started playing bass in fifth grade," Mr. McNabney said. "I never really quit and did it more in my teens and twenties." Photo by Megan Walski

Not Pictured

ADMINISTRATORS
Mr. Brian Clark: Athletic Director
Dr. Jeffrey Hendrix: Superintendent
Dr. Yvonne Stokes: Assistant Superintendent
Mr. Ira Zimmer: Acting Athletic Director

FACULTY
Mrs. Jessica Baird: Math, SADD Sponsor
Mr. Thomas Barnes: English, Asst. Girls' Track Coach
Mr. Brent Barton: West Lake, Best Buddies Sponsor
Mr. Mike Coil: Science, Junior CEC Sponsor
Mr. Joshua Craig: Media Specialist
Mr. David Dausch: Social Studies
Mr. Jim Davidson: PLTW, Girls' Basketball Coach
Mr. Brad Docter: Business
Mr. Pete Fatouros: Guidance Counselor
Mr. Kevin Gardener: West Lake
Ms. Brenna Giazzon: Band
Mr. Nicholas Gron: Math
Mr. Larry Hautzinger: Science
Ms. Carly Kveton: FACS
Mrs. Kathleen LaPorte: FACS, Student Government Sponsor
Mr. Paul LaReau: Spanish
Mr. Steven Lopez: Social Studies
Mr. Leroy Marsh: Health, Physical Education, Football Coach
Mrs. Twila Marsh: Librarian, Read & White Book Club Sponsor
Ms. Peggy Matanic: English, GSA Sponsor, STAND Sponsor
Mrs. Lisa Mella: West Lake
Mrs. Kyleen Nolan: Science, Student Government Sponsor
Mr. Patrick O'Neill: Science, Academic Teams Coach
Ms. Stephanie Peterson: French, French Club Sponsor, Color Guard Coach
Ms. Val Pflum: Math, Girls' Soccer Coach, NHS Sponsor, Freshman CEC Sponsor
Mr. Jim Prasopoulos: West Lake, Boys' Soccer Coach
Mr. Andrew Robinson: Music, Choir Sponsor
Mrs. Jessica Sanchez: Guidance Counselor
Mr. Bob Shinkan: Math, Baseball Coach
Mr. Patrick Spohr: Physical Education, Girls' & Boys' Tennis Coach
Mrs. Florencia Stoll: Spanish
Mrs. Nicole Storck: Science
Mrs. Beth Thornberg: Math, Softball Coach, Freshmen CEC Sponsor
Mr. Bret Winterheimer: Band, Band Director
Mr. Louis Zeherelis: Science

STAFF
Mr. James Dancy: Head Custodian
Mrs. Kathy Feezel: Food Services Director
Mrs. Minnie Martinez, RN: Nurse
Mrs. Penny Mayer: Athletics
Mrs. Tracie Metcalf: Guidance
Mrs. Ally Novotney: Attendance
Mrs. Jan Riccio: Main Office
Mrs. Mary Spina: Athletic Trainer
Mrs. Jackie White: Guidance
Mrs. Lisa Wilson: Main Office
Mrs. Dana Ziel: Secretary to the Principal

Club pictures

Academic Super Bowl

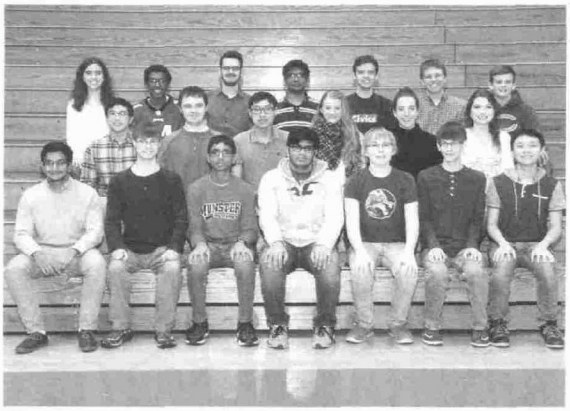
Sponsor:
Mr. Patrick O'Neill, science teacher

Major Events:

1 **Lowell invite**
March 6
Lowell, IN

2 **Area finals**
April
Merrillville, IN

3 **State**
May 5
Purdue West-Lafayette



(front row) Shreyas Iyer, Maverick Broviak, Rayhan Zaman, Adit Patel, Nicholas Larson, Griffin Broviak, Evan Dong ***(second row)*** Ben Rasamimari, Collin Garmon, Guhao Chen, Brooke Dills, Silvia Lombardo, Emma Hand ***(back row)*** Kali Konstantinopoulos, Kathir Venkat, Eli Nirenberg, Harsha Sanaka, Connor Meyer, Cody Phillips, Kevin Kvasnica

(front row) Lissette Araya, Shivani Collur, Srishti Sarkar, Cynthia Chockalingam, Anya Fitzpatrick, Vivian Wei, Danielle DeCesaris ***(second row)*** Saranya Sanaka, Hannah Giba, Shriya Iyer, Carina Crisan, Aaron Perez, Srija Thipirneni, Jack Gauderman ***(back row)*** Clara Terry, Caroline Choel, Tyler Devenny, Eli Stricker, Allan Mella, Sophie Hand, Euna Lee, Ava Quasney ***(not pictured)*** Justin Lee, Will McCarrie, Wisdom Ibikunle, Austin Lyon, Isaiah Rosinski, David Bostic, George Dimopoulos, Ben Freed, Mingrui Li, Elia McCarrie, Ronav Perrigrahi, Hannah Rafaj, Annie Andrew, Brendan Blaze, Zach Collardo, Andrea DeHoyos, Stephen Hartoge, Ubin Kim, Emily Kolvasz, Lauren Morris, Devshree Patel, Kayla Pridwell, Elizabeth Pucher

Academic Super Bowl

Our List of Subjects:
Math
Science
English
Fine arts
Social studies
Interdisciplinary

— Evan Dong, 12

Art Club

Sponsor:
Mrs. Elena Lopez, art teacher

Officers:
President:
Chloe Moffett, 12

Major Events:

1 **Face painting**
Year round
Football field
Basketball court
Centennial Park

Our List of Goals
Become well known
More t-shirt designs
Art club magazine
Showcase students' art

— Maria Rucinski, 12

(front row) Daisy Ruiz, Chrys Navarro, Ashton Rivera, Lauren Morris, Corina Love, Rachel Lyons, Eve Haddad ***(second row)*** Viviana Luna, Hannah Bard, Grace Rau, Adamari Yepez, Matt Cortez, Carey Scott, Samantha Rivera ***(back row)*** Maria Rucinski, Zachary Best, Gretchen Wineiger, Sydney Pastor, Lydia Smith, Jessica Tucker ***(not pictured)*** Mir Alam, Michael Bowers, Augustus Carroll, Nicole Dominguez, Silvia Martinez, Ben Ondo, Natalie Ostrow, Nicole Roberts

(front row) Hannah Levy, Joseph Bellahcen, Sydney Hamill, Michaela Marcotte, Arianne Sadural ***(second row)*** Ava Quasney, Nikolai Hoogewerf, Alexis Barumen, Erin Bryce, Ariel Shoriak ***(back row)*** Ariana Casas, Christopher Canul, Logan Radwan, Sara Resch, Adam Kojich ***(not pictured)*** Deborah Adeoye, Mir Alam, Brielle Bradley, Kemper Fane, Alejandro Flores, Alex Kojich, Ethan Levy, Sofia Parisi, Jackie Sanchez, Meagan Venema, Mitchell Walsh

Auditorium Staff

Sponsor:
Mr. Raymond Palasz, Auditorium director

Officers:
House Manager:
Ethan Levy, 12
Hannah Levy, 12
Technical Director:
Joseph Bellahcen, 11
Stage Director:
Mitchell Walsh, 11
Michaela Marcotte, 11

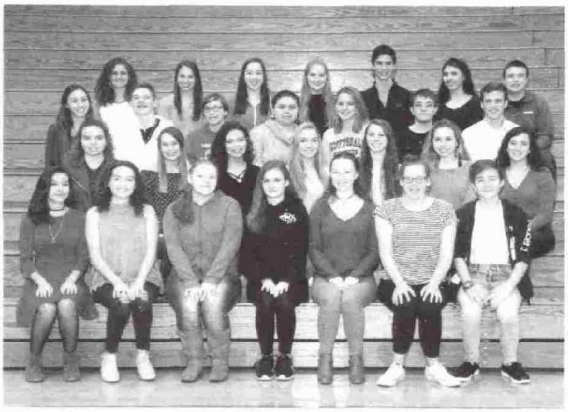
Major Event:

1 **The Trials of Robin Hood**
Oct. 6-8
Auditorium

ASL Club

Sponsor:
Ms. Hannah Fus, ASL teacher

Officers:
Presidents:
Michael Edington, 12
Vanessa Pascual, 12
Vice presidents:
Halen Paz, 12
Jacqueleen Gonzalez, 12
Secretary:
Taylor Dvorscak, 12
Treasure:
Chloe Jancosek, 12
Public Relations:
Lauren Kuipers, 12



(front row) Linda Piebanski, Aubrey Rivera, Alyssa Meegan, Rebecca Thompson, Allison Rusnak, Erin Bryce, Ava Quasney ***(second row)*** Gretchen Wineinger, Samantha Kall, Jacqueleen Gonzalez, Alexandra Vjestica, Savanah Sharpe, Deven Burse, Breanna Riordan ***(third row)*** Jill Cuvala, Eric Jerge, Madison Erke, Lindsey Martin, Melanie Powers, Adam Kojich, Ryan Thometz ***(back row)*** Madison Hansen, Taylor Dvorscak, Lilly Lemke, Sarah Wanicki, Cody Reinsma, Nicole Choros, Michael Edington

(front row) Zoe Lakomek, Jaelyn Guiton, Lauren Kuipers, Chloe Jancosek, Nicole Roberts, Vanessa Pascual ***(second row)*** Melina Banaszak, Lorena Campos, Katelyn Sarmiento, Vanessa Situ, Kara Bryant ***(back row)*** Jenna Adams, Melanie Riordan, Halen Paz, Maddie Kozy, Isabell Gonzalez, Gabrielle Szumlas ***(not pictured)*** Audrey Beck, Michael Bell, Bailey Brosemann, Johnathon Del Real, Corsyn DeLoatt, Mackenzie Duff, Nicholas Fies, Alexis Flores, Abdulaziz Kahali, Alex Kojich, Isabelle Landeck

ASL Club

Major Events:

1 **Pizza party**
Nov. 16
Cafeteria

2 **Valentine's cookie party**
Feb. 14
Cafeteria

3 **Deaf festival**
April
Valparaiso High School

Our List of Sign Words:
Name
Thank you
Grade
Alphabet

— Michael Edington, 12

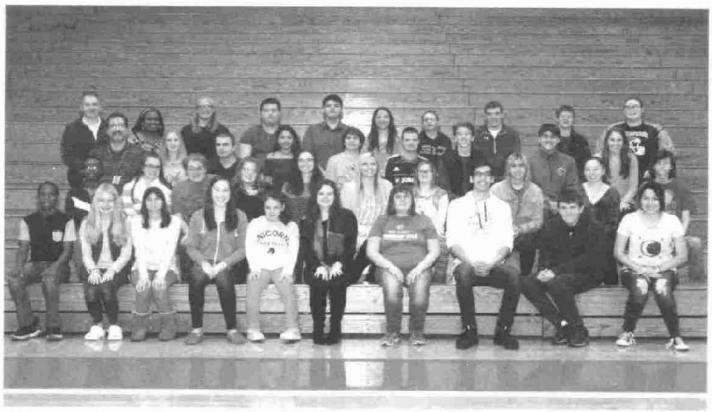
Best Buddies

Sponsors:
Mr. Brent Barton, math teacher
Peter Fatouros, guidance counselor

Officers:
President:
Taylor Dvorscak, 12
Vice president:
Meagan Thornburg, 12
Associate Director:
Isabel Alvarez, 10
Buddy Director:
Doug Curski, 11
Friendship Walker Coordinators:
Serena Marsh, 10
Kiele Brown, 12

Major Events:

1 **Valentine's dance**
Feb. 25
Cafeteria



(front row) Kian Nero, Nicole Biel, Natalie Ostrow, Lilly Lemke, Hannah Gossman, Ameerah Omar, Ashley Breger, Samuel Sanchez, Robert Hawk, Isabell Gonzalez ***(second row)*** Josiah Johnson, Maddie Kozy, Megan Angotti, Nicole Gutjahr, Aileen Wagner, Allison Snyder, Camille Renwald, Kiele Brown, Corina Love, Doug Curski ***(third row)*** Brent Barton, Cortney Tubbs, Colman Berg, Natalia Salazar, Nicholas Curski, Jason Donovan, Micah Flahaven, Michael Chamberlain, Taylor Dvorscak ***(back row)*** Peter Fatouros, Zoe Short, Meagan Thornburg, Nicholas Calgaro, Michael Holvey, Karina Monjaras, Alex Lesinski, Jonah Clark, Phillip Lemke, Serena Marsh ***(not pictured)*** Jenna Adams, Isabel Alvarez, Gillian Archer, Anastasiya Bandyopadhyay, Maria Blazejny, Arianna Carey, Cynthia Chackalingam, Maggie Curtin, Lucas Dasa Costa, Cassy DeLeott, Emily Espra, Kay Finley, Jimmy Forde, Nicholas Franczak, Jacob Freeman, Cameron Hoekstra, Cade Howard, Clarissa Iwachiw, Leah John, Alyse Lapit, Jennifer Lockhart, Molly Marcin, Daniel Mitchell, Anthony Montalto, Sayid Parpiani, Emma Phelps, Nicholas Redman, Linda Riley, Veronica Rivera, Marisa Rodriguez, Yasmeen Sabbah, Costa Sirounis, Ryan Thometz, Lucy Torres, Alexandra Vyskitca, Sarah Warnick

(front row) Tyler Deveny, Ashley Nita, Harper Swope ***(back row)*** Brink Wolak, Emma Herring ***(not pictured)*** Aubrey Chelich

Freshman CEC

Sponsor:
Ms. Valerie Pflum, math teacher

Major Events:

1 **Homecoming playhouse**
Sept. 4-10
Playhouse theme: E.T.

Our List of Things Learned in CEC:
Good to help
Fun to meet people
— Brink Wolak, 9

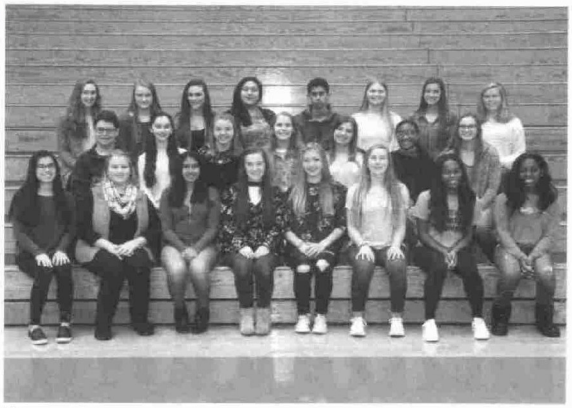
Sophomore CEC

Sponsor:
Ms. Kristen Szafasz, social studies teacher and Mrs. Beth Thornburg, math teacher

Major Events:

1 **Homecoming playhouse**
Sept. 4-10
Playhouse theme: Astronomy

Our List of Goals:
Prom planning for next year
— Antonia Linnane, 10
Highest bid playhouse
— Alexis Lindenmayer, 11



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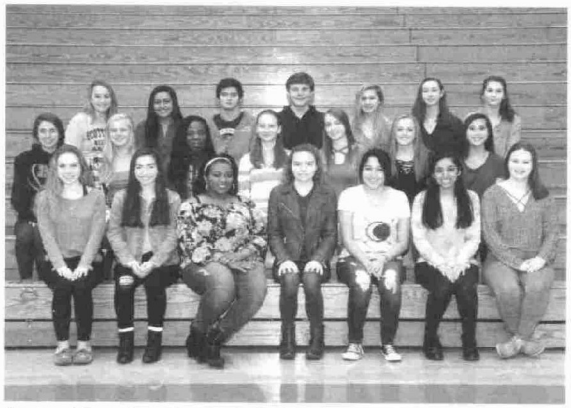

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Junior CEC

Sponsor:
Ms. Leigh Ann Westland, English teacher and Mr. Michael Coil, science teacher

Major Events:

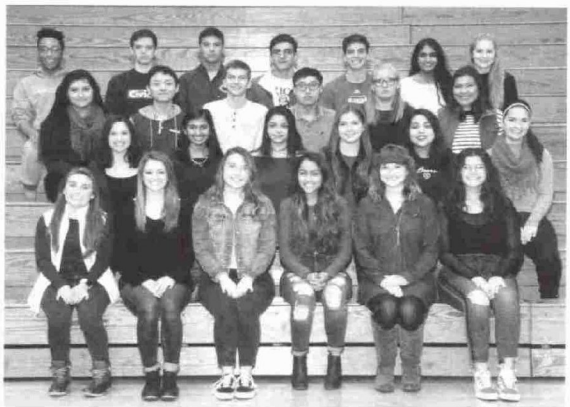
1 **Homecoming playhouse**
Sept. 4-10
Playhouse theme: Out of this World

2 **Hosting Prom**
April 21
Serbian Social Center

Junior CEC

Homecoming Playhouse Supply List:
Paint
— Taryn German, 11
Streamers
— Hailey Fortener, 11
Centerpiece
— Naomi Edet, 11
Good attitudes
— Carey Scott, 11
Enough people
— Linda Plebanski, 11

(front row) Kaitlin Strempka, Keila Hernandez, Alaina Lany, Rachel Lyons, Carolina Garza ***(second row)*** Alexis Flores, Yasmeen Sabbah, Corina Love, Miah Albritton, Eviana Rubio, Brisa Bohling ***(third row)*** Aileen Martinez, Hannah Hughes-Stokes, Hailey Fortener, Haya Safi, Taylor Raycroft, Linda Plebanski, Megan Dedelow ***(back row)*** Viviana Luna, Nicole Dominguez, Erin Gonzales, Hailey Thill, Carey Scott, Elizabeth Fonseca, Noelle Long ***(not pictured)*** Taryn German, Bertha Dyrhaug, Berta Dyrhaug, Leila Khan, Sylvia Grelickiewicz, Alyssa Winkelhofer, Adelyan Stuller, Teradyl Rawlins, Wisdom Jokunle, Saige Swarthout, Gretchen Winainger, Emma Stevens, Hailey Thill, Megha Patil, Katharine Foley, Rebecca Thompson



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Senior CEC

Major Events:

1 **Homecoming playhouse**
Sept. 4-10
Playhouse theme: Star Wars

2 **Senior banquet**
May
Cafeteria

3 **Shirt design for Homecoming**
Weeks before Homecoming
LGI

List of Accomplishments:
Raised money for charity
— Emma Harvath, 12

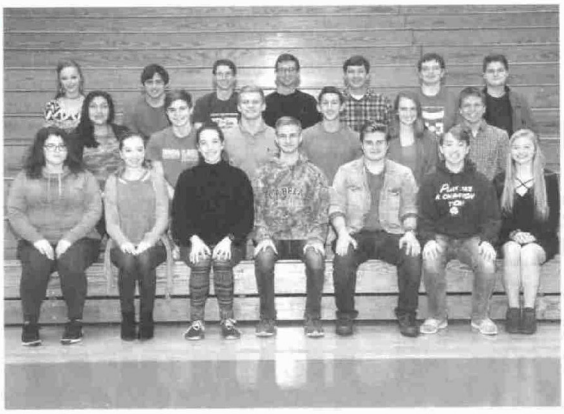
Club pictures

Chorale

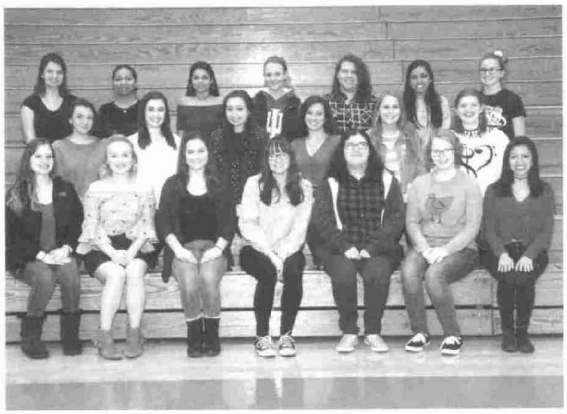
Sponsor:
Mr. Andrew Robinson, choir teacher

Officers:
Section Leaders:
Kimberly Giannini, 12
Alainna Carey, 12
Robert Wente, 12
Caleb Davies, 12
Benjamin Peters, 12

Our List of Languages in Which We Sang:
German
Latin
Icelandic
Gaelic
Estonian
— Kelly Collins, 11



(front row) Morgan Hanenburg, Olivia Dzurovick, Silvia Lombarda, Ben Peters, Jack Stork, Noel Fary, Sara Arndt ***(second row)*** Patricia Castro, Jack Sullivan, Michael Dywan, Dimitri Chioros, Kim Giannini, Cody Phillips ***(back row)*** Zoe O'Dea, Rob Wente, Stevie McDunn, James Sroge, Joey McCraw, Ricky Caraher, Matt Klys



(front row) Lilly Theriault, Chole Jancosek, Kelly Collins, Olivia Hesterman, Silvia Martinez, Shannon Hocker, Vanessa Pascual ***(second row)*** Lauren Slavo, Camille Gallicho, Mara DiCarlo, Breanna Riordan, Caroline Chael, Fayth Schutter ***(back row)*** Taylor Fishman, Alainna Carey, Natalia Salazar, Christina Burzynski, Abby Watts, Aniv Arora, Shannon Coughlin

Chorale

Major Events:

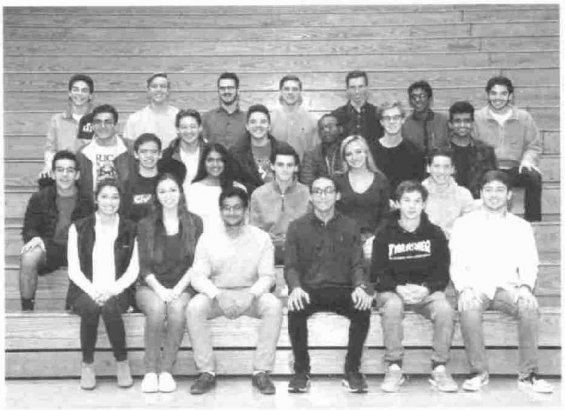
1. **Winter Concert**
   Dec. 7
   MHS Auditorium
2. **St. Thomas More Concert**
   Dec. 10
   St. Thomas More
   More Church
3. **St. Demetrious Church Performance**
   Dec. 9
   St. Demetrious Church

Civics Club

Sponsors:
Ms. Kristen Szafasz, history teacher, and Mr. Don Fortner, economics teacher

Officers:
President:
Connor Meyer, 12
Vice President:
Easan Venkat, 12
Secretary:
Hansa Vavilala, 12
Majority Whip:
Khavand Peddi, 12

Our List of Goals:
Have Debates
— Connor Meyer, 12
Create a Purpose
— Taylor Moreno 12



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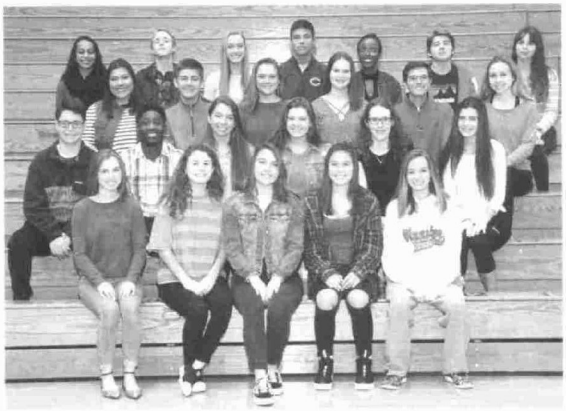

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Civics Club

Major Events:

1. **Forum with Alderman**
   Nov. 14
   Resource room
2. **Meet the Candidate**
   Spring
   Resource room
3. **Foreign Policy Forum**
   February
   Resource room

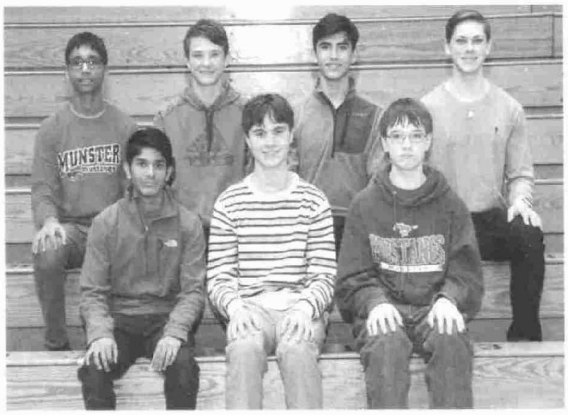
Chess Club

Sponsor:
Ms. Sheri Engstrom, Elliott Elementary teacher

Major Events:

1. **Pizza Party**
   End of the school year
   Wilbur Wright Cafeteria
2. **Wednesday meetings**
   4:30-5:30 p.m.
   Munster public library

Our List of Activities:
Team Tournaments
Individual Tournaments
Chess at the library
—Christopher Krincic, 12



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(front row) Arianna Piña, Arianne Sadural, Monica Herrera, Kelsey Pappas, Jenai Panora, Prisilla Ortiz ***(second row)*** Erianna Sims, Tiara Sparks, Priscilla Gallardo, Isabel Rodriguez, Elise Fedrick, Katie Babb ***(back row)*** Nicole Dominguez, Chynna Vaughn, Bianca Andrzejewski, Maria Barron, Alyssa Lebron, Annalicia Carrillo-Luna ***(not pictured)*** Sarah Edels, Kammy Moore, Claire Powell

Color Guard

Sponsor:
Ms. Stephanie Peterson, French teacher

Officers:
Captain: Monica Herrera, 11

Major Events:

1. **ISSMA marching band finals**
   Nov. 4
   Lucas Oil Stadium
2. **Bands of America Toledo**
   Sept. 23
   Toledo, Ohio

Our List of Supplies:
Rifle
Sabre
Flag
Dance
— Monica Herrera, 11

WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

If you could create one club, what would it be?

- ☐ Filipino Club — Xymon Aesquivel, 12
- ☐ TV Club — Tiara Sparks, 9
- ☐ Arab Club — Petra Sweis, 11
- ☐ German Club — Lenore Moreno, 10
- ☐ Soccer Club — Roberto Diaz, 10
- ☐ Sneaker Club — Ryan Thometz, 12

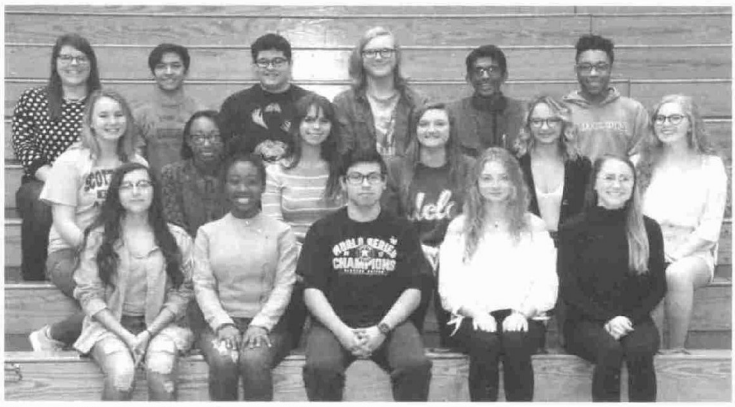
Crier

Sponsor:
Ms. Sarah-Anne Lanman, publications adviser

Officers:
Editor-in-chief: Ian S. Brundige, 12
Managing Editor: Mimi Brody, 11
Section Chief: Joe Bermudez, 12
People editor: Carey Scott, 11
Head photographer: Kess Vaitkus, 12

Major Events:

1 **Publish thirteen 12-page papers**
Every three weeks
Distributed at lunch



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Creative Writing

Sponsor:
Mr. Kevin Clyne, English teacher

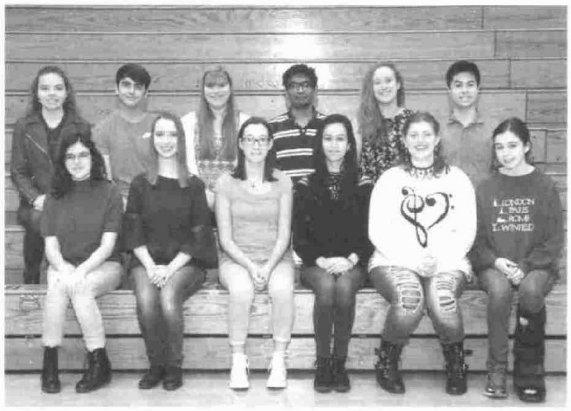
Officers:
President: Rebecca Dodgson
Vice President: Katherine Dodgson
Secretary: Elizabeth Fonseca

Major Events:

1 **Diversity Day**
Jan. 26
To learn how to write diverse characters

Our List of Activities:
Word sprints
One word stories

— Rebecca Dodgson, 12



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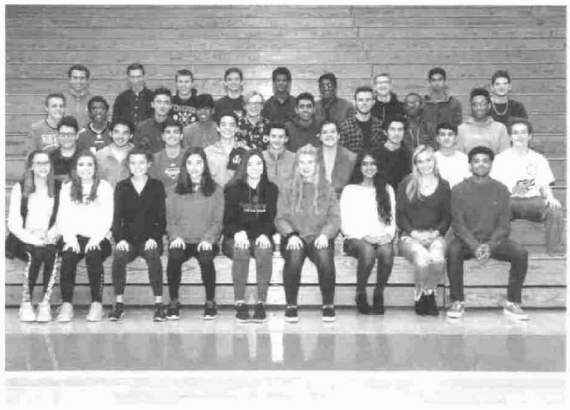
DECA

Sponsors:
Dave Kaplan and Daniel Kime, Volunteer coaches

Officers:
President: Easan Venkat
Vice President: Kevhand Peddi
Public Relations: Katie Dedelow



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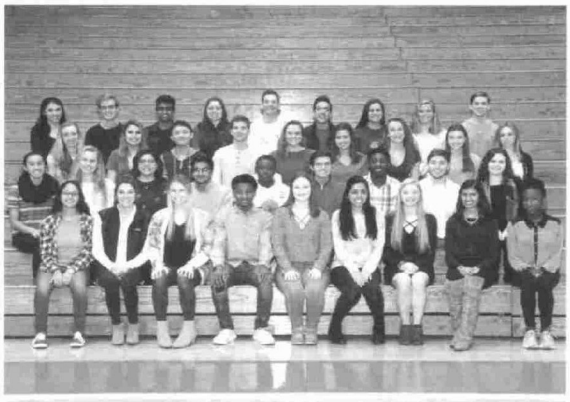
DECA

Major Events:

1 **District Competition**
Jan. 13
Valparaiso High School

2 **Chipotle Fundraiser**
Dec. 13-14
Chipotle in Munster

3 **State Competition**
March 4-6
Indianapolis



(front row) Anusuya Bandyopadhyay, Alexis Pedraza, Gabie Ingaglia, Cameron Smith, Jaclyn Webber, Anu Arora, Sara Arndt, Ria Shah, Wisdom Ibikunle ***(second row)*** Sam Barraza, Madeline Foreit, Tara Layous, Shreays Iyer, Ameer Igue, George Dimopoulos, Kwame Nnuru-Frimpong, Vince Ivetich, Ameerah Omar ***(third row)*** Rebecca Radtke, Megan Wolski, Zachary Dong, Jonathan Harris, Sara Mavity, Abigail Nita, Katherine Foley, Kaitlyn Oganovich, Karolina Sroka ***(back row)*** Nicole Choros, Nicholas Petrick, Khavand Peddi, Ella McComis, Luka Balac, Ari Arzumanian, Iris Peck, Clara Terry, Chris Kirincic

DECA

Our List of Essentials:
Four function calculator
Suit, blazer, or skirt
Pearls
Closed toe shoes
Number two pencil
Your "A game"

— Alaina Lany, 11

(front row) Max Marich, Patricia Proctor, Emily Kotvasz, Alaina Lany, Nicole Lu, Olivia Eldert, Thalia Chioros, Eleanor Wilson ***(second row)*** Isabelle Bednarowski, Grace Gozdecki, Emma Stricker, Rimsha Siddiqui, Jude Ouyuon, Ananya Sharma, Euna Lee, Megan Dedelow ***(third row)*** Melina Chioros, Vanessa Koultourides, Nichole Tsoukalas, Mikayla Collins, Colin O'Brien, Micala Boyd, Katie Dedelow, Shriya Iyer ***(back row)*** Chelsea Okolocha, Gillian Bedenk, Olivia Newman, Evan Lieser, Adam Wisniewski, Nathan Kunas, Joey Baeza, Matthew Marszowski, Jasmine Toor ***(not pictured)*** Miah Allerton, Jean Bacera, Nicole Bender, Mimi Brody, Nick Cieslak, Anastasia Cipowski-Smith, Nicolas Cowie, Tyler Devenny, Taylor Dvorscak, Naomi Edet, Olivia Foley, Anne Foreit, Luke Forut, Sarah Greaves, Emma Herring, Eric Selge, Savannah Kunas, J. Yoon Lee, Ethan Levy, Jennifer Lockhart, Mia Paredes, Chyan Ramgle, Priyanka Reddy, Abby Rotch, Kaelin Somaya, Mehak Sidhu, Surajpal Singh, Lindsy Vanek, Michael Weiner, Noah West, Gianluca Meyer

Club pictures

WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

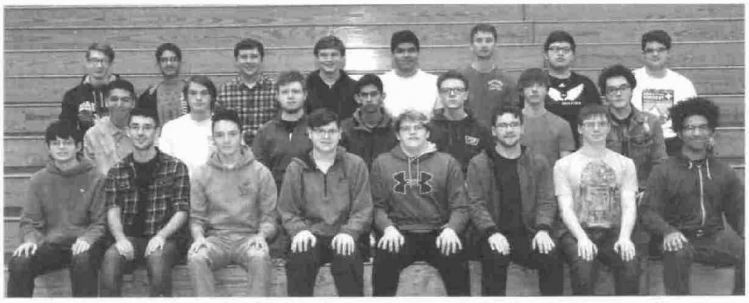
If you could veto one club, what would it be?

- ☐ Civics Club — Colin Gaither, 12
- ☐ Chess Club — Hannah Foster, 10
- ☐ Spanish Club — Faith Muczynski , 9
- ☐ Robotics — Declan Urbaniak, 10
- ☐ Chess Club — Connor Meyer, 12
- ☐ Poetry Club — Mason Clark, 10
- ☐ Civics Club — Riley Harris, 10
- ☐ French Club — Marco Chaves , 12
- ☐ Ping Pong Club — Alex Clark, 11
- ☐ Science Olympiad — Luke Davidson, 11
- ☐ Theater — Isabel Rodriguez, 9

WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

What club did you spend the most time in?

- ☐ Project X — Isabella Scalzo, 10
- ☐ Speech — Patricia Castro, 10
- ☐ Song — Zoë Short, 11
- ☐ Spanish Club — Alainna Carey, 12
- ☐ Speech — Ben Dodge, 10
- ☐ GSA — Savannah Frazier, 9
- ☐ Crier — Melanie Powers, 11
- ☐ French Club — Annacoleen Cruz, 12
- ☐ Theater — Irene Tsakopoulos, 9
- ☐ Science Olympiad — Gary Chen, 12
- ☐ Link Crew — Xavier Unzueta, 12
- ☐ Band — Arlee O'Shaughnessy, 12



(front row) Theo Mitrakis, Joseph Roe, Gabriel McKnight, Aidan Kunka, Van Lambert, Josh Hoogewerf, James Ashcraft, Braedin Moore ***(second row)*** Alejandro Guerrero, Jonathan Wesley, Logan Radwan, Ron Panigrahi, Nathan Knutson, Adam Mohrs, Daniel Arellano ***(back row)*** Logan Hoskins, Sean Johnson, Joey McCraw, Austin Lynn, Krishna Lakshmanamurthy, Kamden Gorang, Felix Barrera, William Latinovich

eSports

Sponsor:
Mr. Nathaniel Thompson, science teacher

Officers:
Presidents:
Gavin Hamilton, 12
Olivia Hesterman, 12
Vice President:
Brendan Moore, 12
Robert Wente, 12
Treasurer:
Alejandro Flores, 12
HSEL Intern:
Adam Kojich, 12

(front row) Aaron Gorny, Joseph Nowak, Garrett Tienstra, Josef Adams, George Fischer, Declan Urbaniak, Adriana Hudak, Carli Strbiak ***(second row)*** Nathan Karnezis, Ray Hoitsma, Adam Kojich, Alejandro Flores, Rob Young, Ben Rasamimari, Adam Wisniewski, Olivia Hesterman ***(third row)*** Maverick Broviak, Hamzah Rafiq, Gabriel Pedrick, Robert Tengdin, Spencer Burse, Nick Larson, Griffin Broviak, Nick Ylo ***(back row)*** Gavin Hamilton, Michael Parobek, Christian Arellano, Angelo Bruno, James Sroge, Eddie DeMars, Nicolas Calderon, Chase Tomko, Fabian Carlos ***(not pictured)*** Adi Patel, Alex Lizak, Amanda Tanquet, Anthony Gioia, Austyn Nitchie, Avery Pratt, Ben Peters, Bilal Salem, Blake Newton, Brady Gorazdzyk, Bradley Timenes, Brandon Baker, Brett Bulek, Brady Bolitage, Caleb Davies, Chloe Mattet, Chris Kimpus, Christian Galindo, Christopher Canul, Colin Vukadinovich, Connor Mlleed, Dakota Gerzanewicz, Dalton Comeau, Daniel Kapitan, Daniel Schreiner, Evan Krieg, Fernando Estrada, Gabriel Hoekstra, Graham Merrit, Harshinedrahar Sriraka, Jackson O'Dell, James Kocur, Jason Benyamin, Joey Dyanas, Joseph Lesnick, Joshua Nolasco, Juan C. Salgado, Jr., Justin Barrows, Taylor Lee, Kemper Fane, Kenji Pachon, Laura Weier, Lucas Baruth, Leigh Lloyd, Matthew McCabe, Maxwell Booth, Michael Peters, Michael Schlossinger, Michelle Marcotte, Mukey Razak, Muaz Shaz, Nate Rodenberg, Nico Lewis, Oliver Serjeoh, Paul Maldonado, Richard Caraher, Robert Wente, Ryan Leahy, Sant Rodriguez, Tim Kaufman, Timothy Mata, Trinity Rodriguez, Uber Kim, Vitaly Prats, Xavier Rodriguez, Zachary Grabelle, Zakris Shmagranoff

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Major Events:

1. **Fall Tournament**
   October - December
2. **Winter Tournament**
   February - March
3. **Spring Tournament**
   March - May

Our List of Games Played:
Overwatch
League of Legends
Rocket League
Paladins
— Ben Peters, 11

(front row) Srija Thipirneni, Caroline Chael, Kayla Prowell, Lana Salahieh, Leah Patterson, Zoe O'Shaushnessy, Nikolai Hoogewerf, Genavive Bacino ***(second row)*** Chynna Vaughn, Natalia Salazar, Evan Dong, Lydia Smith, Jessica Tucker, Sara Arnat, Chole Lambert, Lilia Brunetiti, Hannah Giba ***(third row)*** Silvia Lombardo, Michael Hrinda, Aneri Patel, Anna Cruz, Emma Hand, Rebecca Dodgson, Katie Dodgson, Emily Shu ***(back row)*** Karolina Sroka, Nicole Choros, Darrell Schreiner, Mark Caraher, Rayhan Zaman, Ameer Igue, Emma Phillips, Connor Meyer, Ricky Caraher

French Club

Sponsor:
Ms. Stephanie Peterson, French teacher

Officers:
Presidents:
Emma Hand, 12
Rebecca Dodgson, 12
Michael Hrinda, 12
Lissette Araya, 12
Secretary/Treasurer:
Shannon Hocker, 12

Major Events:

1. **Bûche de Nöel Contest**
   Dec. 13
2. **Mardi Gras**
   Feb. 13
3. **French Dinner**
   May

(front row) Ryanna Pastrana, Lissette Araya, Hannah Levy, Emily Guerrero, Ashton Rivera, Ariel Velasco ***(second row)*** Diana Ayala, Elizabeth Pucher, Kara Bryant, Rachel Lyons, Casey Wallace, Melissa Mardyla ***(back row)*** Moira Glowacki, Shannon Hocker, Aleks Manojlovic, Vivian Wei, Fayth Schutter, Claire Powell, Lauren Martis ***(not pictured)*** Emily Banaszek, Abbey Bonis, Keli Cano, August Garcia, Emily Grijuero, Ethan Leal, Hope Meierkort, Sofia Pavia, Caleb Quinones

French Club

Our List of Food:

La bûche de Nöel
— Lilia Brunetti, 10

La galette de rois
— Hope Meierkort, 10

Les crêpes
— Michael Hrinda, 12

Le fromage
— Lydia Smith, 11

Le kouign-amann
— Shannon Hocker, 12

GSA

Sponsor:
Ms. Peggy Matanic, theatre teacher

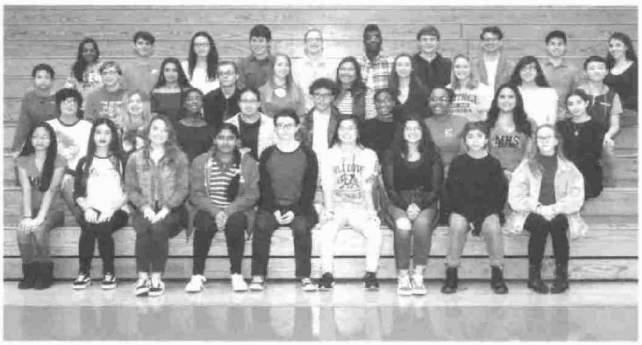
Officers:
Presidents:
Kayla Prowell, 11
Vice President:
Lily Leslie, 11
Secretary:
Michaela Marcatte, 11
Historian:
Chynna Vaughn, 11

Major Events:

1 **Diversity Dinner**
April with STAND Commons

2 **Coming Out Stories**
September

3 **Run the Corral**
Throughout the year



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(front row) Zoe O'Shaughnessy, Lilia Brunetti, Kayla Prowell, Madeline Forerit, Audrey Beck, Priyana Reddy, Amanda Beaudouin ***(second row)*** Sara Wenzel, Clara Terry, Sara Mavity, Jennifer Watterson, George Dimopoulos, Marco Vince Ivetich ***(back row)*** Robert Young, Kathir Venkat, Nicholas Pierick, Will McComis, Ronav Panigrahi, Tarunveer Girn, Aidan Chism

HOSA

Sponsor:
Mrs. Mary Spina, trainer
Ms. Brianne Rubesha, science teacher

HOSA

Major Events:

1 **State Leadership Conference**
April 7-11

2 **Nationals**
June 27-30
Dallas, Texas

List of Leadership Events:
Health Science
Health Professions
Emergency Preparedness

— Nick Pierick, 11

(front row) Eviana Rubio, Viviana Gonzales, Madison Lakomek, Grace Gozdecki, Ella McComis, Megan Dedelow, Anne-Marie Forell ***(second row)*** Mehak Sidhu, Euna Lee, Diana Ayala, Kelli Canul, Ami Shah, Jude Ouyuori, Cynthia Chockalingam ***(back row)*** Nicole Dominguez, Nicole Lo, Simone Gill, Lauren Blocher, Emma Stevens, Jaclyn Webber, Emma Higgason ***(not pictured)*** Colin Chandler, Alicia Chudnick, Anastasia Copowski-Smith, Alexis Howe, Tristen Hansen, Lily Leslie, Jennifer Lockhart, Fatima Mahmood, Alexandra Manojlovic, Chyon Ranger, April Roberts, Vanessa Sisi, Rebecca Thipirneni, Jessica Tucker, Gretchell Wittekiger, Sophia Zavala

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Link Crew

Sponsor:
Mr. Morgan Nolan, Assistant Principal

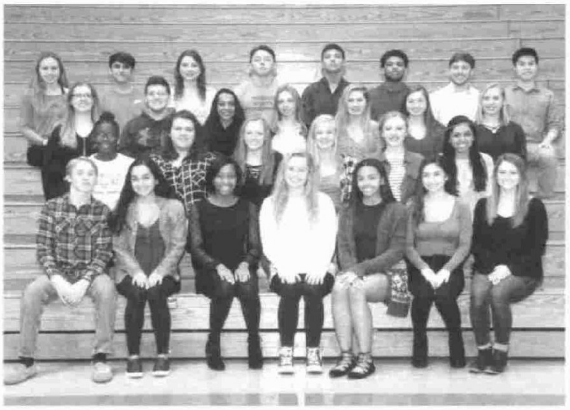
Link Crew

Major Events:

1 **Training**
Aug. 7-8
The Commons

2 **Freshman Orientation**
Aug. 9
In classrooms throughout the school

3 **Wearing Link Crew Shirts**
First day of school
To help guide freshmen



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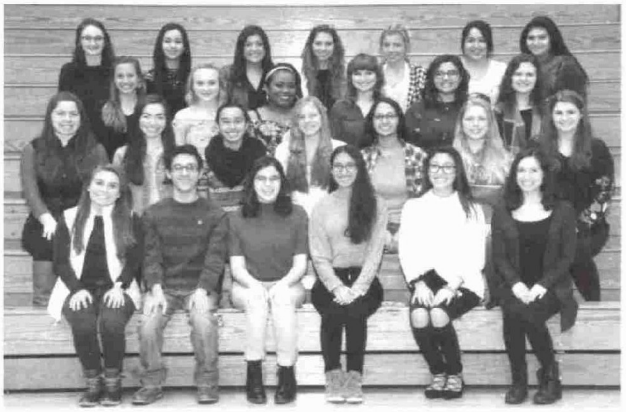

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Link Crew

List of Games We Played at Freshman Orientation:
Count Off
Name Tag
Team Juggling
20 Questions
64 Squares

—Evan Dong, 12

Club pictures

WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

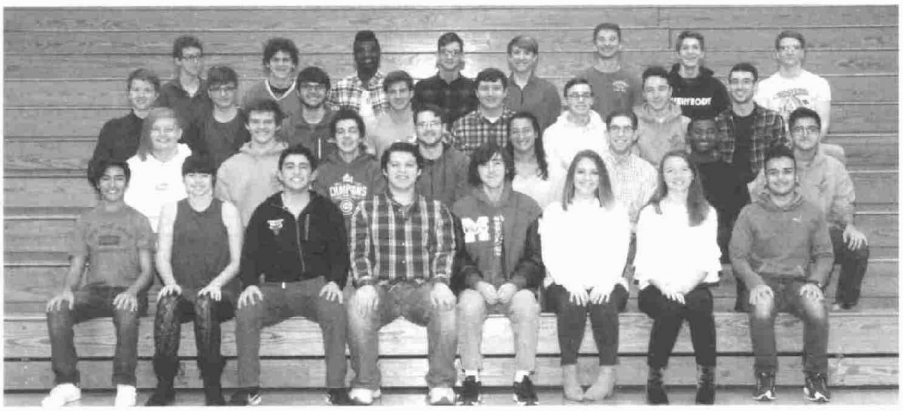
What club do you think is the smallest ?

- ☐ chess club — Brant Peloquin, 9
- ☐ Poetry Club — Jenna Adams, 10
- ☐ Project X — Avery Pratt , 9
- ☐ High Five Club — Michael McDunn, 11
- ☐ GSA — Nick Hamilton, 11
- ☐ Chess Club — Declan Urbaniak, 11
- ☐ Science Olympiad — Collin Vukadinovich, 10
- ☐ French Club — Justin Brent , 12
- ☐ Poetry Club — Paige Kessler, 12
- ☐ Robotics — Gwynn Hammermeister, 12
- ☐ Chess Club — Tyior Torres-Regnier, 12

WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

What makes your club stand out?

- ☐ Volunteering — Eric Harvath, 9
- ☐ Social — Breanna Riordan, 12
- ☐ Purpose — Taylor Dvorscak, 12
- ☐ Confidence — Alexandria Shinkan, 12
- ☐ Writing stuff — Hamzah Rafiq, 11
- ☐ Self-governing — George Fischer, 9
- ☐ Fulfilling — Keila Hernandez, 11
- ☐ Influential — Cameron Smith, 12
- ☐ Universal — Noah Sohacki, 12
- ☐ Fun — Jacob Freeman, 11
- ☐ Competitive — Osama Safi, 12
- ☐ Friendly — Maureen Van Matre, 10

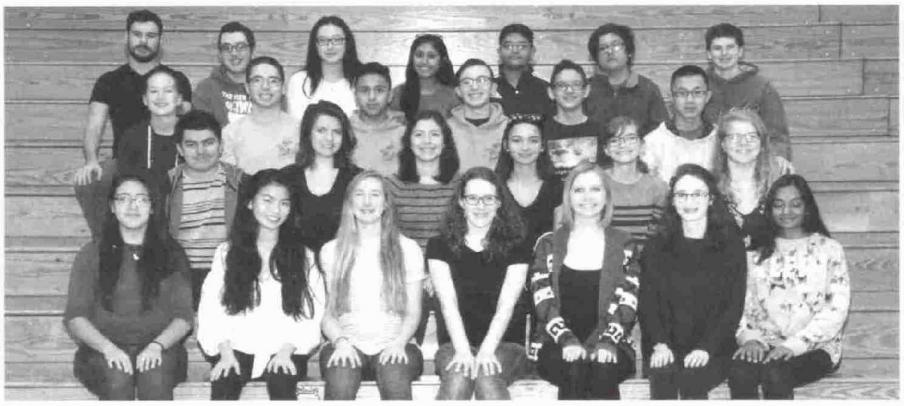


Marching Band

Sponsor:
Mr. Bret Winternheimer, Band Director and Ms. Brenna Giazzon, Band Assistant Director

Officers:
Drum major: Luciano Medina

(front row) Robert Young, Chloe Moffett, Luciano Medina, Nicolas Calderon, Michael Parobek, Arlee O'Shaughnessy, Emma Stevens, Bradley Jimenez Medina ***(second row)*** Gavin Clark, John Banaszak, Mihail Babus, Joshua Hoogewerf, Leah Nezick, Riley McKeever, Javaughn Richards, Hector Gomez ***(third row)*** Daniel Kapitan, Blake Newton, Grant Afman, Joseph McCraw, Kortlyna Lukowski-Foss, Gabriel McKnight, Joseph Roe ***(back row)*** Quinn Hasse, Jack Foster, Jenai Richards, Jacob Whitaker, Caleb McKeever, Kamden Gorang, Jeffrey Ballard, Peter Gallagher, Ilija Manojlovic

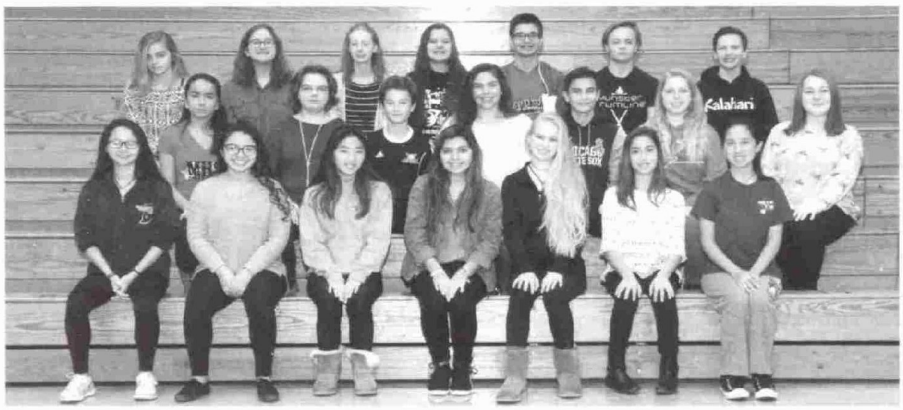


Marching Band

Major Events:

1. **Band of America Toledo**
   Sept. 23
   University of Toledo, Ohio
2. **Moonlight March**
   Oct. 22
   Fieldhouse
3. **State Finals**
   Nov. 4
   Placed fourth in state
   Lucas Oil Stadium, Indianapolis

(front row) Erin Crawford, Nicole Lu, Melinda Michalski, Molly Manion, Zoe O'Shaughnessy, Catie Gilhooly, Srija Thipirneni ***(second row)*** Garrett Tienstra, Taylor Fishman, Serena Alvarez, Emily Malave, Milena Trivunovic, Lauren Blocher ***(third row)*** Mara Trivunovic, David Cohen, Aaron Perez, Jason Stout, Nicholas Ylo, Mingrui Li ***(back row)*** Noah Sohacki, Henry Sklar, Emily Shu, Aneri Patel, Kenil Pachani, Emilio Rosales, Michael Van Deursen



Marching Band

List of Things We Said:
"Let's Get Better"
"Winners Drink Milk"
"#MakeItCount"
"Do it for Wawasee"
"I. Love. Band."
— Luciano Medina, 12

(front row) Ryanna-Kimberly Pastrana, Alyssa Valadez, Joanne Hwang, Lauren Ruiz, Kelsey Pappas, Cynthia Vazquez, Natalia Coronel-Espinal ***(second row)*** Monica Herrera, Anastasia Kapustina, Aleksandar Iljevski, Eviana Rubio, Christopher Perez, Karo Bryant, Jaclyn Bevil ***(back row)*** Rachel Dawson, Lana Salahieh, Lauren Morris, Haley Hensley, Keegan Gorang, Shane Hoogewerf, Daniel Tabaczynski **(not pictured)** Isaiah Fitch, Jonathan Gallegos, Matthew Levin, Chris Mathew, Olivia Segrich

National Honor Society

Sponsor:
Ms. Valerie Pflum, math teacher

(front row) Arlee O'Shaughnessy, Luciano Medina, Connor Meyer, Meagan Thornburg, Elian Magana, Justin Lukowski, Abigail Nita, Megan Wolski, Hansa Vavilala ***(second row)*** Rebecca Radtke, Kali Konstantinopoulos, Kimberly Giannini, Katherine Dodgson, Olivia Foley, Jaycee Helmer, Jimmy Forde, Thomas Maloney, Khavand Peddi ***(third row)*** Alexis Pedraza, Anthony Daniels, Sarah Johnson, Ryan Thometz, Gabie Ingoglia, Colin Gaither, Reed Watkins, Noah Moell, Micah Flahaven ***(back row)*** Joseph Yoniles, Sofia Balac, Easan Venkat, Adam Reinsma, Nicholas Szala, Gary Chen, Scott Kenning, Richard Carraher, Jack Jones

(front row) Paige Kessler, Lola Fay Papanikolaou, Aleksandra Manojlovic, Leah Alicea, Trinitee Hassan, Lauryn Nunez ***(second row)*** Shriya Iyer, Alyssa Nahnsen, Mia Tumacder, Euna Lee, Amanda Beaudouin, Joshua Harvey, Maya Kenny ***(back row)*** Ava Quasney, Santino Presutti, Gillian Archer, Carina Crisan, Grace Hoehl, Lydia Smith

Orchestra

Sponsor:
Mrs. Bridget Speranza, Orchestra Director

Major Events:

1 **Fundraiser**
September
Mod Pizza

2 **Fundraiser**
January
Five Guys

3 **ISSMA State Qualifiers**
April
Chesterton High School

National Honor Society

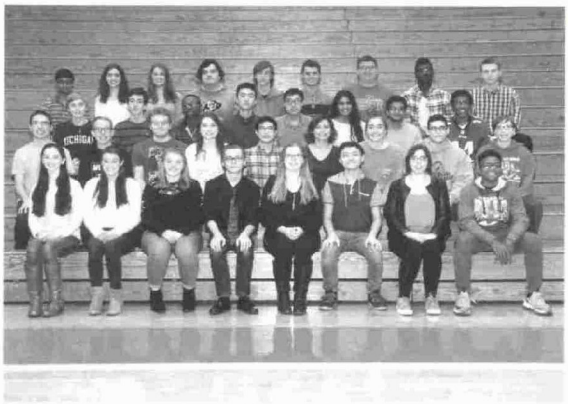
Major Events:

1 **Breakfast with Santa**
Dec. 2
Wilbur Wright Cafeteria

2 **Tutoring**
After school and weekends
Starbucks, library, Panera, etc.

3 **Induction**
April
Auditorium

(front row) Haleigh Gronwold, Aleksandra Manojlovic, Zachary Dong, Emma Hand, Jennifer Watterson, Alexis Buchalo ***(second row)*** Katherine Radde, Natalia Salazar, Cody Phillips, Jonathan Harris, Karina Manjaras, Jess Wiess, George Babus ***(third row)*** Michael Hrinda, Rebecca Dodgson, Brooke Dills, Olivia Dzurovcik, Taylor Dvorscak, Kalie Miles ***(back row)*** Sara Mavity, Anusuya Bandyopadhyay, Sarah Wanicki, Allison Snyder, Aneri Patel, Riley McKeever, Ian Brundige



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Orchestra

Our List of Concerts:
Fall
Winter
ISSMA Preview
Spring

— Hansa Vavilala, 12

National Honor Society

List of What We Learned:

Tutoring is harder than it looks

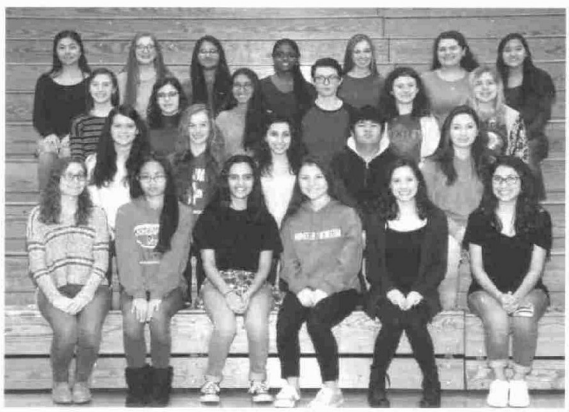
Don't procrastinate when you can avoid it

It feels good to help others

Work hard now and you will reap the benefits later

— Olivia Eldert, 12

(front row) Danielle DeCesaris, Ryanna Pastrana, Lissette Araya, Olivia Eldert, Hannah Levy, Ethan Levy ***(second row)*** Efthymia Bissias, Isabella Malagon, Kelli Canul, Aileen Wagner, Vivian Wei, Lauryn Nunez, Shannon Hocker ***(third row)*** Matthew Manous, Fayth Schutter, Emily Mudroncik, Lauren Stofko, Thalia Choros, Katie Dedelow, Chelsea Okolocha ***(back row)*** Alexandria Shinkan, Reem Alsakaji, Emma Harvath, Victoria Williams, Ameerah Omar, Marco Ivetich, Hannah Giba ***(not pictured)*** Jorge Arellano, Corryn DeGolf, Madison Driggs, Tara Layous, Matthew Michel, Maeva Riley, Revani Samaiya, Rio Shah, Lily Warner



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Orchestra

Our List of Traditions:
Secret Santa
Holiday Party
Halloween Party
Senior Solo Performances

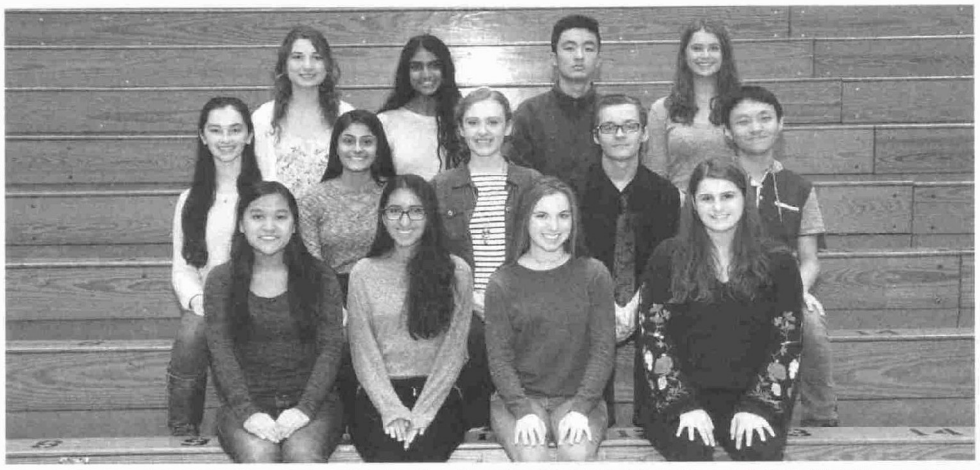
— Hansa Vavilala, 12

Club pictures

WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

What do you think is the most popular club?

- ☐ Spanish club — Jalen Davidson, 9
- ☐ Project X — Kennedy Clark, 11
- ☐ Spanish — Sam Rivera, 12
- ☐ ASL — Kyle Snyder, 12
- ☐ Theater — Stephanie Nossem, 9
- ☐ Speech — Katelyn Sarmiento, 11
- ☐ Tech Club — Imani Kemp, 10
- ☐ Project X — Kennedy Clark, 11
- ☐ Tech Club — Michael Schassburger, 11
- ☐ DECA — Jasmine Toor, 12
- ☐ Spanish Club — Natalia Coronel, 10
- ☐ Science Olympiad — Darrell Schreiner, 11
- ☐ eSports — Jonathan Wesley, 10
- ☐ Project X — Olivia Lerma, 11
- ☐ DECA — Cameron Adams, 10
- ☐ Spanish Club — Raisuli Muhammad, 11



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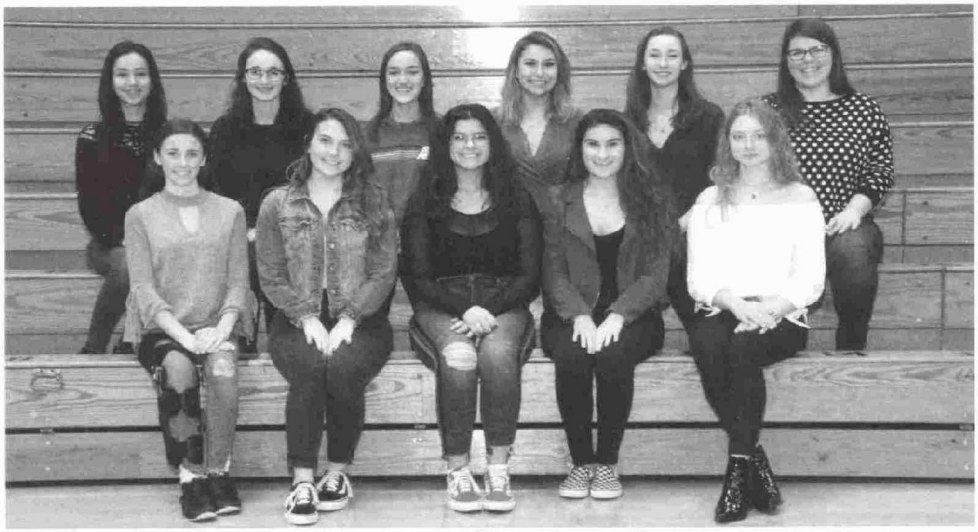
Orchestra Council

Sponsor:
Mrs. Bridget Speranza, orchestra Director

Officers:
President:
Lauryn Nunez, 12
Vice President:
Emma Hand, 12
Senior Representative:
Hansa Vavilala, 12
Junior Representative:
Josh Kim, 11
Sophomore Representative:
Sophie Hand, 10
Freshman Representative:
Becky Jones, 9
Historian:
Izzy Malagon, 12
PR/Social Media:
Aleks Manjlovic, 12
Treasurer:
Jae Lee, 12
Secretary:
Lydia Smith, 11



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Paragon

Sponsor:
Ms. Sarah-Anne Lanman, publications director

Officers:
Editor-in-chief:
Micala Boyd, 12
Managing editor:
Kammy Moore, 11
Head photographer:
Elizabeth Fonseca, 11

Major Events:

1. **Producing First Ever Spring Delivery Yearbook**
   Final Deadline Feb. 26
   N155
2. **Secret Santa**
   Dec. 18-22
   N155

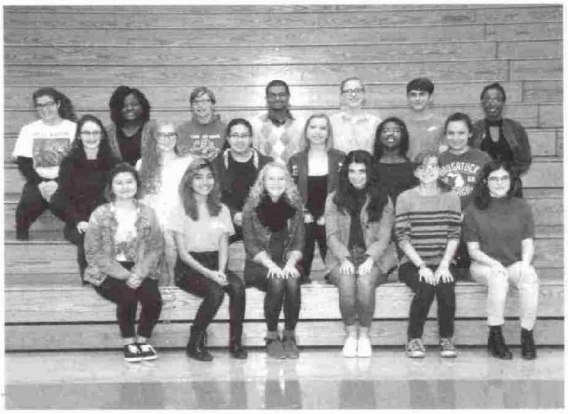
Poetry Club

Sponsor:
Mrs. Kelly Barnes, English teacher

Officers:
Presidents:
Mia Bissias, 12
Vice presidents:
Chynna Vaughn, 11
Secretary:
Lily Leslie, 11
Treasure:
Chelsea Okolocha, 12

Major Event:

1. **Sip Slam**
   May
   Sip Coffee house, Highland



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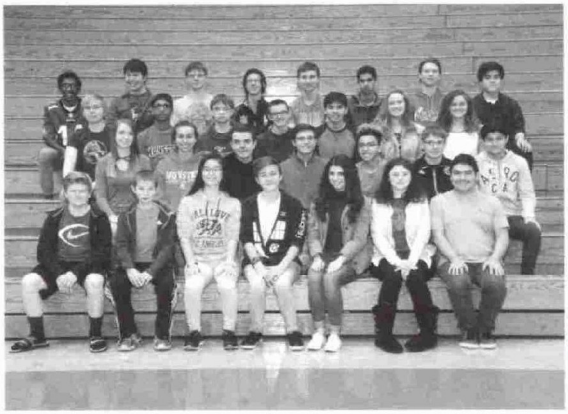

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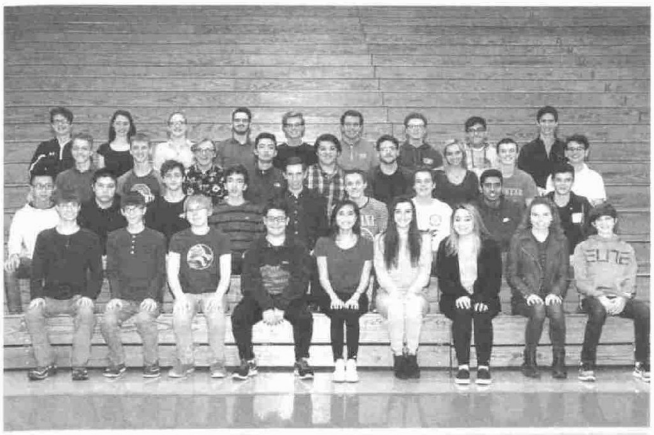
Ping Pong Club

Sponsor:
Mrs. Audrey Fuhs, Spanish teacher

Officers:
President:
George Dimopoulos, 10
Vice president:
DJ Fesko, 10

Major Events:

1. **Free Play**
   Every Wednesday
   Commons
2. **Pizza Party**
   March
   Resource room



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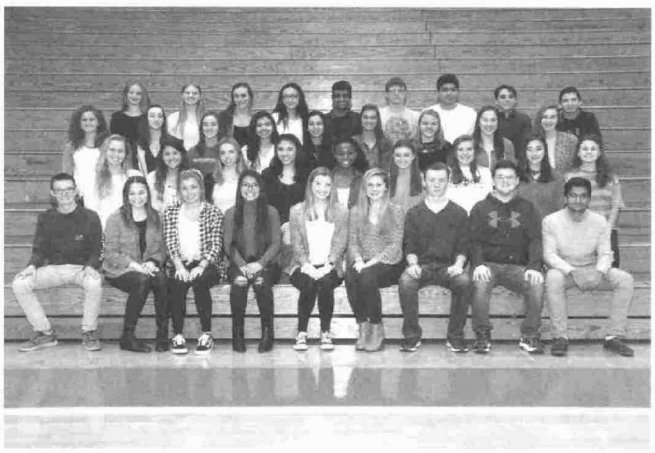

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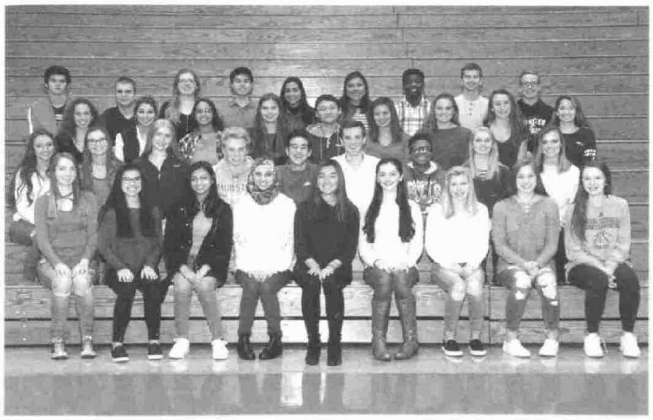
Project X

Sponsor:
Ms. Leigh Ann Westland, English teacher

Officers:
President:
Abby Nita, 12
Vice President:
Kate Radde, 12
Executive Council:
Jonathan Harris, 12
Olivia Foley, 12
Maddy Foreit, 11
Megan Dedelow, 11



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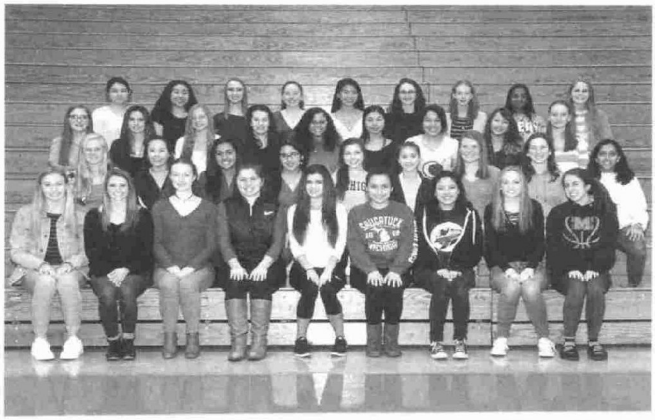

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Project X

Major Events:

1. **Recycling**
   Every Wednesday throughout school
2. **Parks and Recreation Activites**
   All year
   Selected locations
3. **Beautification Day**
   Seasonal
   STM schools

(front row) Maddie Kozy, Chloe Lambert, Alexis Lindenmayer, Lilia Brunetti, Grace Gozdecki, Ami Shah, Mehak Sidhu, Casey Wallace *(second row)* Lana Salahieh, Ria Shah, Lola Fay Papanikolaou, Aleksandra Manojlovic, Mia Tumacder, Gill Simone, Summer Gill *(back row)* Eric Harvath, Savanah Sharpe, Mikayla Collins, Vanessa Koultourides, Jill Cuvalo, Alina Arzumanian, Alexandra Vjestica, Alyssa Stiege

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Project X

List of Places to Volunteer:
Humane Society
Frank H. Hammond
Eads Elementary
Soup Kitchen
Parks and Recreation
WWMS
Churches

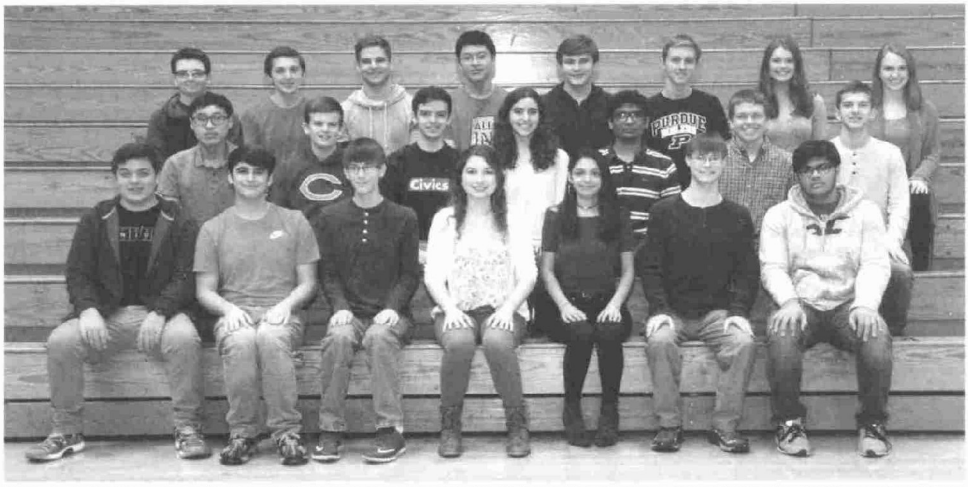
— Members of Project X

Club pictures

WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

What club do you regret not joining?

- ☐ DECA — Maeve Riley, 12
- ☐ Project X — Caitlin Chansler, 11
- ☐ Ping Pong — Tim Muta, 11
- ☐ Chess — Kara Bryant, 11
- ☐ Spanish Club — Mich Albritton, 11
- ☐ DECA — Kat Petrovic, 10
- ☐ Speech — April Roberts, 10
- ☐ Best Buddies — Brooke Gardiner, 10
- ☐ Student Government — Karina Monjaras, 12
- ☐ Best Buddies — Emma Phillips, 9
- ☐ DECA — Afamefuna Oniah, 9
- ☐ French Club — Kelli Canul, 12
- ☐ Read and White Book Club — Hannah Levy, 12
- ☐ Ping Pong Club — Jack Burian, 9
- ☐ No Regrets — Cody Crary, 12



Science Olympiad

Sponsor:
Mr. Keith Koszut, science teacher and Mr. Patrick O'Neill, science teacher

Officers:
Leadership team:
Emma Hand, 12
Gary Chen, 12
Lissette Araya, 12
Scott Kenning, 12
Kali Konstantinopoulos, 12
Hannah Giba, 12

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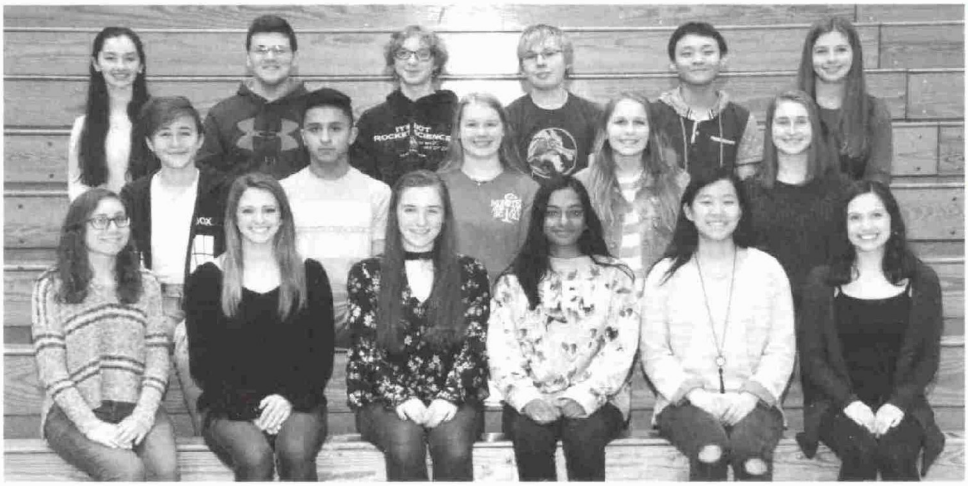

Science Olympiad

Major Events:

1. **Palatine High School Tournament**
   Nov. 18
   Palatine High School
2. **Regionals**
   Feb. 24
   Whiting High School
3. **State**
   March 17
   IU Bloomington

List of Categories:
Towers
Ecology
Hovercraft
Herpetology
— Hannah Giba, 12

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SADD

Sponsor:
Mrs. Jessica Baird, math teacher

Officers:
President:
Rachel Lyons, 11

Major Events:

1. **Pizza Party**
   October
   S132
2. **Prom Safety Week**
   April
   Throughout the school
3. **Red Ribbon Week**
   Oct. 23-31
   Throughout the school

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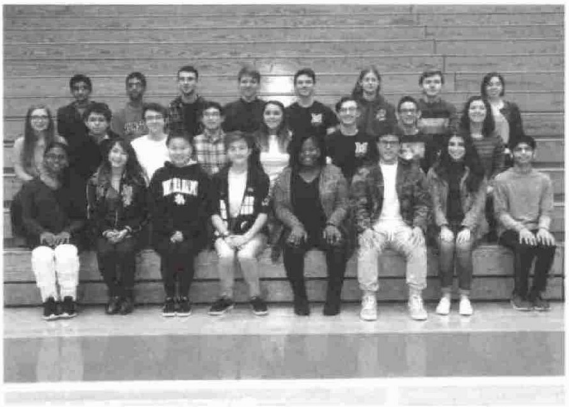


Robotics

Sponsor:
Mrs. Lyndee Govert, math teacher

Officers:
Presidents:
Zack Montes, 12
Vice President:
Jason Stout, 12
Secretary:
Serena Alvarez, 10
Head of Engineering:
George Babus, 12
Safety Officer:
Joe Roe, 12
Head of Development:
Hamzah Rafiq, 11

(front row) Cynthia Chockalingam, Nicole Dominguez, Megan Suaranta, Ava Quasney, Leah Patterson, Carlo Candelaria, Rachel Lyons, Anay Gandhi ***(second row)*** Hannah Bard, Christian Galindo, Michael Prendergast, Ben Rasamiman, Olivia Candelaria, Jason Stout, Nick Yio, Serena Alvarez ***(back row)*** Hamzah Rafiq, Rayhan Zaman, Joe Roe, Daniel Kapitan, Zack Montes, Laura Weiler, George Babus, Emilee Cobb **(not pictured)** Christian Arellano, Daniel Arellano, Daniel Kapitan, Declan Wilkowski, George Fischer, Juan Salgado, Maddie Nelson, Nicole Roberts, Olivia Candelaria, Will Grupenhoff

SONG

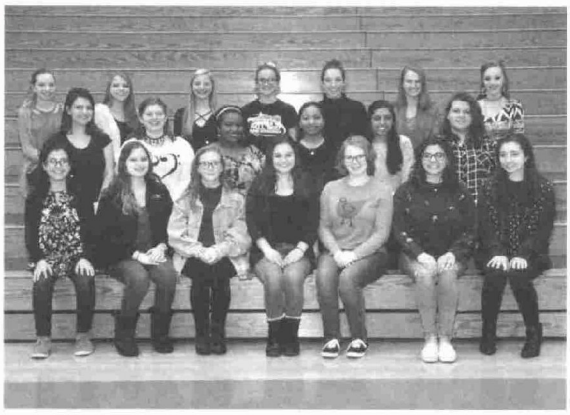
Sponsor:
Mr. Andrew Robinson, choir teacher

Major Events:

1 **Winter Concert**
Dec. 7
Auditorium

2 **Christ Lutheran Convert**
Dec. 15
Christ Lutheran Church

List of Songs:
"Let it Be"
"Vuelie"
"Text Me Merry Christmas"
"O Holy Night"
— Kelly Collins, 11



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SING

Sponsor:
Mr. Andrew Robinson, choir teacher

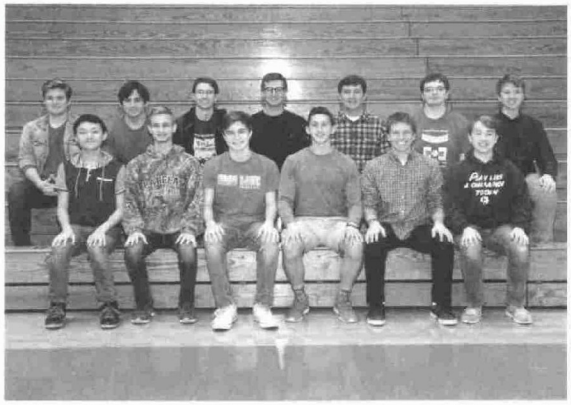
Major Events:

1 **Fall Concert**
Oct. 6
Auditorium

2 **Winter Concert**
Dec. 7
Auditorium

3 **Meet the Robinsons**
End of the year
Commons

List of Songs:
"Riu Riu Chiu"
"Santa Claus is Coming to Town"
— Ben Peters, 11



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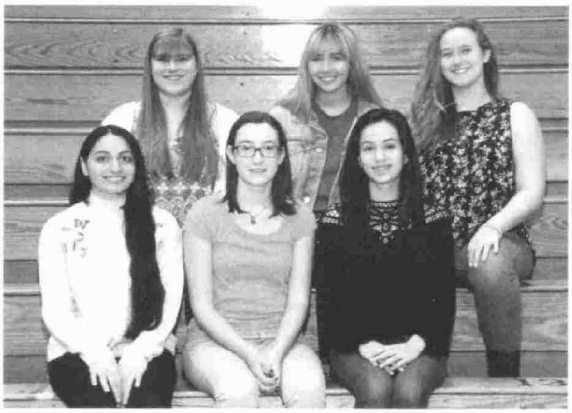
Read & White Book Club

Sponsor:
Mr. Joshua Craig, Media Specialist

Officers:
Presidents:
Kelli Canul, 12
Vice President:
Haya Safi, 11
Secretary:
Elizabeth Fonseca, 11

Major Event:

1 **Movie Night**
Jan. 8
Media Center



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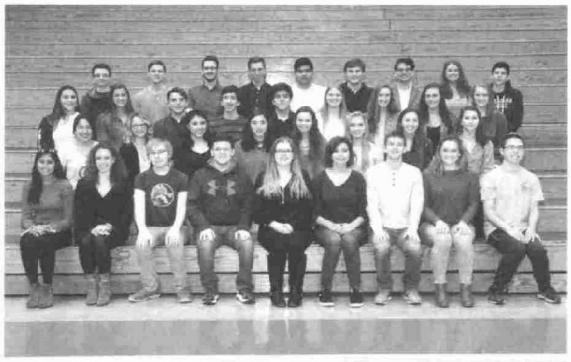

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Spanish Club

Sponsor:
Mrs. Rosemary Malagon, Spanish teacher

Officers:
Presidents:
Isabella Malagon, 12
Alainna Carey, 12
Vice Presidents:
Sara Mavity, 12
Elizabeth Fonseca, 11
Social Media:
Austin Lynn, 11
Joseph Bellahcen, 11
Secretary:
Serena Alvarez, 10
Rachel Lyons, 11
Jonathan Harris, 12
Emily Badynski, 10

Spanish Club

Major Events:

1 **Chicago Fire Soccer Game**
Oct. 1
Toyota Stadium in Chicago

2 **Day of the Dead Party**
Nov. 1
Cafeteria

3 **Officer Secret Santa**
Dec. 23
Commander Restaurant

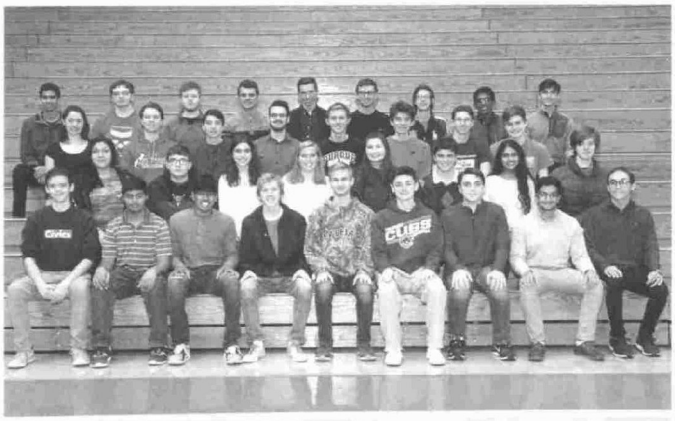
Spanish Club

List of Activities:
Officer meetings
Salsa dancing
Valentine Day party
Movie day
— Joseph Bellahcen, 11

Club pictures

Speech and Debate

Sponsor:
Mr. Jordan Mayer, English teacher
Officers:
President:
Ally Shinkan, 12
Debate Vice President:
Jackie Webber, 11
Debate Secretary:
Hansa Vavilala, 12
Speech Vice President:
Alejandro Flores, 12
Speech Secretary:
Noah Moell, 12
Our List of Popular Events:
Dramatic Interpretation
Duo Interpretation
Humorous Interpretation
Public Forum Debate
Congressional Debate
— Connor Meyer, 12



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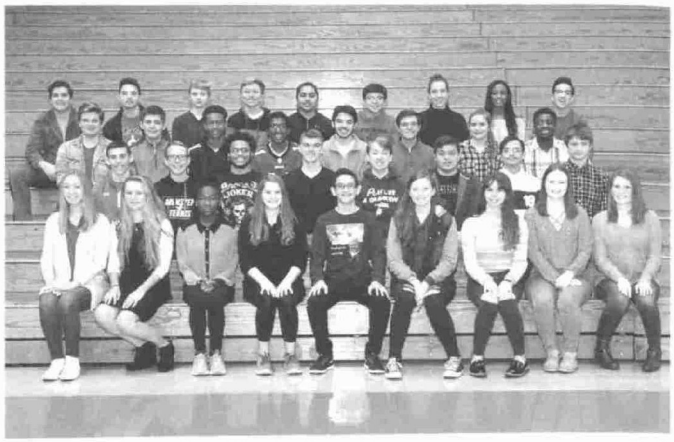

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Speech and Debate

Major Events:

1 **Bradley Speech Tournament**
Dec. 1-2
Peoria, Illinois

2 **Harvard National Invitational**
Feb. 17-19
Cambridge, Massachusetts

3 **Award Ceremony**
April
Auditorium

4 **50 Annual Chicken Dinner**
Sept. 7
Cafeteria

5 **Speech Summer Camp**
July
N 151

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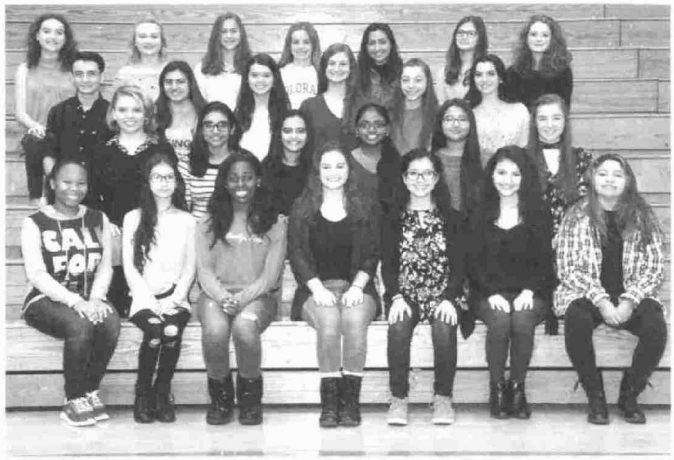

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WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

Which club do you think has been around for the longest?

- ☐ ASL club — Melanie Riordan, 9
- ☐ Speech and Debate — Sami Muhrez, 10
- ☐ Project X — Alexis Lindenmayer, 10
- ☐ Yearbook — Clarissa Iwachiw, 10
- ☐ Science Olympiad — Lydia Smith, 11
- ☐ Theater — Andrew Wittkamp, 9

(front row) Samantha Flatt, Cynthia Chockalingam, Rachel Lyons ***(back row)*** Kayla Prowell, Brendan Bleza, Nicole Choros, Jaclyn Webber **(not pictured)** Samantha Barraza, Leah Zolin, Lindsey Martin

STAND

Sponsor:
Ms. Peggy Matanic, English teacher
Officers:
President:
Kayla Prowell, 11

Major Events:

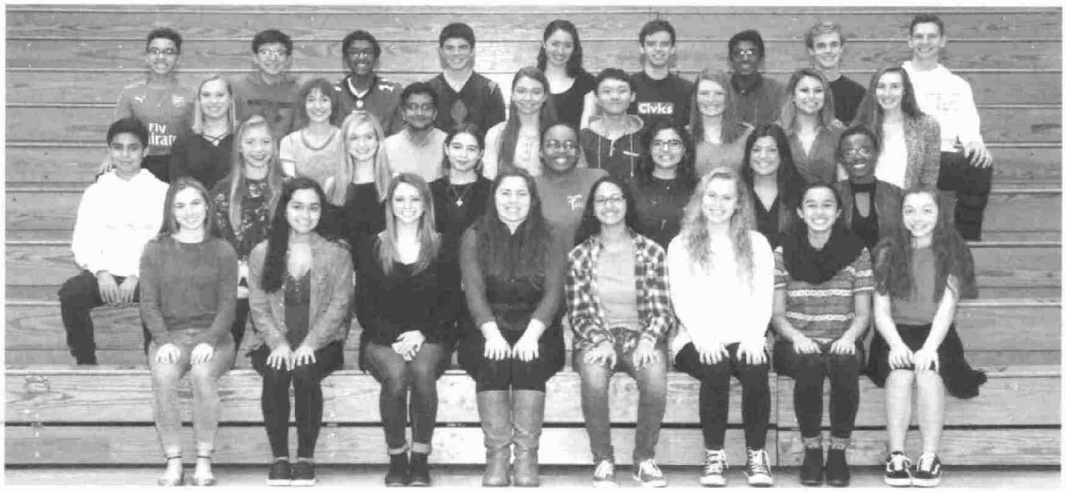
1 **Diversity Dinner**
April
Commons and Cafe

2 **Black History Month Awareness**
February
Throughout school

Student Government

Sponsor:
Mrs. Kathleen LaPorte, FACS teacher
Mrs. Kyleen Nolan, science teacher

Officers:
President:
Tara Layous, 12
Vice President:
Katie Dedelow, 12
Treasurer:
Emma Harvath, 12
Secretary:
Anusuya Bandhyopadyay, 12



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Student Government

Major Events:

1 **Intramural Volleyball Game**
Dec. 11
Fieldhouse

2 **Homecoming Events**
Sept. 5-9
Fieldhouse and Football Field

3 **Annual Food Drive**
Oct. 30 - Nov. 16
MRT

Our List of Words:
Battle of the Bands
Pep Rally

— Nick Peirick, 11

TEAMS

Sponsor:
Mr. Keith Koszut, science teacher

What TEAMS Stands For
Tests of Engineering Aptitude, Mathematics and Science

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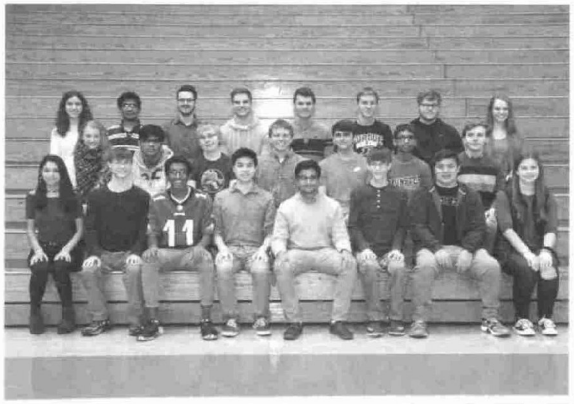

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TEAMS

Our List Tests:
Essay
Multiple Choice
Design/Build

— Natalia Salazar, 12

Thespians

Sponsors:
Mr. Ray Palasz, Auditorium Director

Officers:
President:
Kalie Miles
Vice Presidents:
Kelly Collins
Joe Bellahcen
Historian:
Chloe Jancosek
Treasurer:
Mitch Walsh
Public Relations:
Taylor Fishman

Major Event:

1 **EQUUS**
May
Auditorium

(front row) Joseph Bellahcen, Sydney Hamill, Tara Layous, Kalie Miles, Taylor Fishman, Kelly Collins ***(second row)*** Camryn Hayes, Jack Stork, Patricia Castro, Benjamin Peters, Shannon Coughlin, Erin Bryce ***(back row)*** Kimberly Giannini, Robert Wente, Joseph McCraw, James Sroge, Steven McDunn, Richard Caraher, Evan Dong **(not pictured)** Christina Buszynski, Mario DiCarlo, Richard Dziwiega, Bradley Goralczyk, Zachary Grabelle, Logan Hoskins, Chloe Jancosek, Amanda Jarquet, Matthew McCraw, Adam Mohs, Mitchell Walsh

WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

Which club do you think has been around for the longest?

- ☐ DECA — Savannah Frazier, 9
- ☐ Band — Aidan Smith, 10
- ☐ Art Club — Megan Suoranta, 11
- ☐ Chess Club — Elizabeth Hanas, 10
- ☐ Best Buddies — Maddie Kozy, 10
- ☐ Spanish Club — Hazem Ojel, 10
- ☐ SADD — Rachel Lyons, 11

Sports reference

Boys' Cross Country

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(front row) William Stephan, Ethan Buck, Mitchell Buffano, Nick Dorai, Tony Bohling, Matt Nahnsen, Steven Heritage, Sam Szala ***(back row)*** Coach Aaron Brown, Adam Klaich, Steven Biegel, Osama Safi, Jack Jones, Cody Phillips, Ben Blaesing, Nicholas Szala, Martin Bernard

VARSITY Overall 37-95

Jack Bransford Invite	0 - 4
Crown Point Invite	3 - 5
Lake Central Invite	1 - 4
Harrison Invite	7 - 17
Lowell Invite	7 - 13
New Prairie Invite	9 - 24
Culver Invite	0 - 16
NCC Conference	0 - 4
Sectional	7 - 2
Regional	3 - 6

Girls' Cross Country

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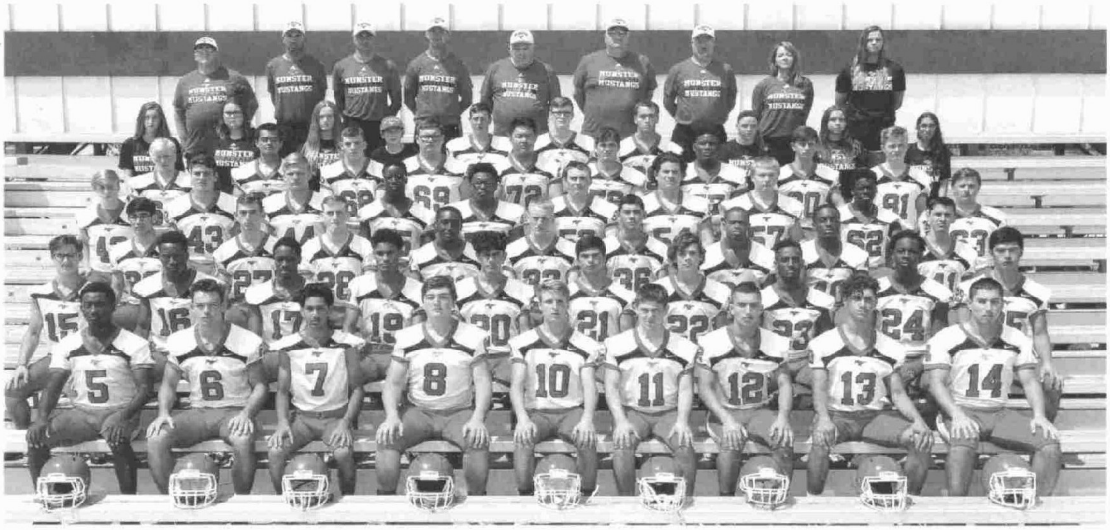
(front row) Erin Gonzales, Annie Abioye, Elise Garcia, Audrey Stooksbury, Alyssa Nahnsen, Moira Boyle, Katie Hemingway, Samantha Buffano, Nicole Lu ***(second row)*** Coach Richard Sluder, Mackenzie Leick, Kaylee Galvan, Brisa Bohling, Olivia Eldert, Maria Blaesing, Brianna Pazdur, Cynthia Chockalinghan, Jorja Shelton, Aileen Wagner ***(back row)*** Madison Steapleton, Nicole Biel, Erin Paskewicz, Emma Stevens, Hailey Thill, Faith Eriks, Gillian Archer, Hansa Vavilala, Carina Crisan

VARSITY

LaPorte Invite	3rd
Harrison Invite	5th
Culver Invite	8th
NCC Championship	2nd
Sectional	**1st**
Regional	3rd
Semi-State	10th

Football



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(front row) Javaughn Richards, Vince Bravo, Tarun Girn, Will Melby, Cole Lesinski, Vince Ivetich, Nicholas Eng, Noah Montoya, Zach Eng ***(second row)*** Andrew Synko, Brandon Baker, Jaden Warner, Daniel Kruse, Tino Martinez, Andrew Calderon, Luke Forszt, Raisuli Muhammad, Dylan Bullock, Jaedon Barrientez ***(third row)*** Alejandro Arce, Creighton Kooy, Chris Bederik, Bruce Jones, Trevor Maul, William Rojas, Reheem Butler, DJ Cooper, Joseph Burns ***(fourth row)*** Dave Mueller, Kosta Fotopoulos, Michael Dywan, Jelani Warner, Anthony Wallace, Tim Radtke, Ali Soto, Cameron Hoekstra, Joshua Pugh, Matthew Certa ***(fifth row)*** Presley Simpson, James Kocal, Jonah Clark, Andrew Rapata, Qianbo Zhao, Ronan Meyer, Carl Adindu, Brenden Guthrie, Dawson Ginaven ***(sixth row)*** Trainer April Roberts, Trainer Serena Marsh, Trainer Hannah Zukley, Manager Alexander Lesinski, Ryan Greep, Evan Zukley, William McComis, Trainer Mollie Clark, Trainer Ella McComis, Trainer Isabella Malagon ***(back row)*** Coach Brian Vance, Coach Ryan Popa, Coach Jason Grunewald, Coach Leroy Marsh, Coach Tom Largus, Coach Andrew Martin, Athletic Trainer Mary Spina, Trainer Amy Kaniewski

VARSITY Overall 4-6

Lake Central	33 - 14
Chesterton	33 - 21
East Chicago Central	**35 - 13**
Morton	24 - 16
Highland	**40 - 21**
Andrean	34 - 0
Lowell	28 - 9
Hobart	**7 - 0**
Kankakee Valley	**28 - 21**
Sectional: Michigan City	28 - 14

JV Overall 3-6

Lake Central	21 - 0
Chesterton	20 - 0
East Chicago Central	**26 - 8**
Morton	**21 - 13**
Highland	26 - 24
Andrean	21 - 0
Lowell	33 - 0
Hobart	28 - 0
Kankakee Valley	**21 - 7**

Freshman Football

(front row) Noah Poole, Vincent Foerster, Cesar Castro, Brant Peloquin, Ethan Pierce, Keith Kaszycki ***(second row)*** Alex Ayersman, Noah Hensley, Karl Larson, Evan Stevens, Dylan Alexander ***(third row)*** Mason Cortopassi , John Baniaszak, Kortlynd Lukowski-Foss, Eric Salazar, Leo Tsirtsis, Ethan Roe ***(back row)*** Coach Jay Chrustowski, Wesley Roe, Coach Matt Kalwasinski, Zach DelNagro, Coach Josh Herold, David Cordova

FRESHMAN Overall 1-8

Lake Central	29 - 0
Chesterton	27 - 7
East Chicago Central	35 - 0
Morton	**21 - 18**
Highland	35 - 28
Andrean	6 - 0
Lowell	51 - 6
Hobart	31 - 0
Kankakee Valley	36 - 3

Girls' Golf

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(front row) Euna Lee, Haleigh Gronwold, Hannah Bard, Grace Gozdecki, Parkyr Guiton, Ananya Sharma ***(back row)*** Coach Bill Smitka, Alex Rowady, Gabie Ingoglia, Emma Ladd, Isabelle Bednarowski, Mirela Jeknic, Jenny Waterson, Becky Jones

VARSITY Overall 8-3 (4-1)

Lake Central Invite	360	3rd of	13
Griffith	171 - 221		
Lake Central & Highland	180 - 159	-	220
Kankakee Valley Invite	338	3rd	(18)
Lowell	165 - 207		
Andrean	190 - 212		
Kankakee Valley & Hobart	189 - 189	-	247
NCC Conference	361	1st	
Lafayette Jefferson Invite	378	10th of	19
LaPorte & South Central	178 - 184	-	235
Chesterton	175 - 220		
Valparaiso	193 - 172		
Hanover Central	194 - 228		
Sectional	384	2nd	
Regional	353	7th	

JV Boys' Soccer

(front row) Max Marich, Jacob Corner, Max Arnold, Kyle Kaufmann, Gavin Kinsella, Eric Harvath ***(second row)*** Michael Cundiff, Adrian Christian, Blake Marcotte, Timothy Giannini, Nana Nauto-Frimpong, Enrique Campos, Bryan Rosales ***(back row)*** Coach Jim Prasopoulos, Tyler Krucina, Nolan DiCarlo, Caeden Taylor, Myles Peterson, Roman Garcia, Afam Oriah, Sam Lash, Coach Jason McCauley

JV Overall 11-5

Portage	0 - 0
Crown Point	1 - 1
Bishop Noll	**8 - 2**
Lake Central	1 - 0
Hobart	**6 - 0**
Chesterton	1 - 0
Andrean	**5 - 0**
Merrillville	**2 - 1**
Highland	**2 - 0**
South Bend St. Joseph	**3 - 0**
Lowell	**5 - 0**
Crown Point B	**3 - 0**
Guerin Catholic	1 - 1
Terre Haute North	**3 - 0**
Kankakee Valley	**1 - 0**
Vaparaiso	**4 - 1**

Varsity Boys' Soccer

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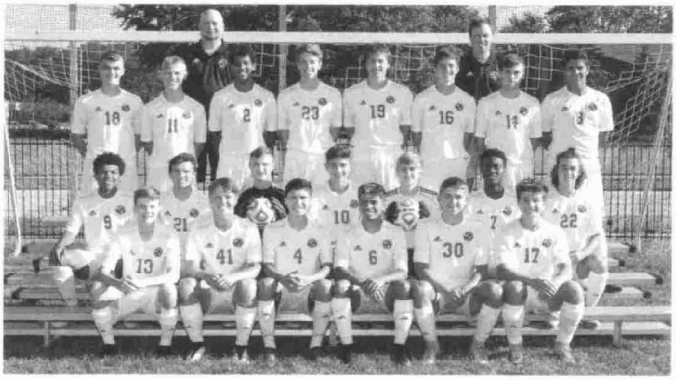

(front row) Will Teske, Dylan Brann, Max Paredes, Elian Magana, PJ Katona, Adam Wisniewski ***(second row)*** Evan Dubose, Luke Davidson, Kyle Snyder, Jordan Andric, Timothy Giannini, David Dafiaghor, Marco Amatulli ***(third row)*** Noah Moell, Justin Lukowski, Reed Watkins, Micah Flaherven, Sean Adams, Alec Spicer, Nathan Kekelik, Laith Srour ***(back row)*** Coach Jim Prasopoulos Coach Jason McCauley

VARSITY Overall 13-3-2

Portage	**5 - 0**	**Guerian Catholic**	**2 - 2**
East Chicago Central	**3 - 0**	**Brownsburg**	**2 - 2**
Crown Point	**5 - 4**	**Kankakee Valley**	**4 - 1**
Bishop Noll	**3 - 0**	**Valparaiso**	**0 - 1**
Lake Central	**3 - 1**		
Hobart	**6 - 0**	Sectionals	
Chesterton	**1 - 0**	**Highland**	**4 - 0**
Andrean	**5 - 0**	Lake Central	3 - 1
Merrillville	**5 - 0**		
Highland	**5 - 1**		
South Bend St. Joesph	1 - 0		
Lowell	**6 - 0**		

Sports reference

VARSITY Overall 14-4-2

SBSJ invite: Marian	0 - 1	**Lowell**	**4 - 0**
SBSJ invite: HSE	1 - 1	**Merrillville**	**4 - 0**
SBSJ invite: Zionsville	2 - 1	**Kankakee Valley**	**7 - 0**
Portage	**7 - 1**	**Crown Point**	**2 - 0**
Penn	2 - 0	**East Chicago**	**8 - 0**
Hobart	**5 - 0**	**Lowell**	**11 - 1**
Lake Central	1 - 1	**Crown Point**	**5 - 2**
Andrean	**4 - 0**	**Chesterton**	**1 - 0**
Valparaiso	**2 - 0**	Penn	3 - 1
Culver Military	**3 - 1**		
Highland	**3 - 0**		

JV Overall 8-3-2

Portage	**3 - 0**	**Lowell**	**8 - 0**
Penn	7 - 0	**Merrillville**	**6 - 0**
Hobart	**4 - 0**	**Chesterton**	**4 - 0**
Lake Central	0 - 0	**Kankakee Valley**	**6 - 2**
Andrean	**8 - 0**	Crown Point	2 - 0
Valparaiso	4 - 0		
Culver	**4 - 0**		
Highland	0 - 0		

Girls' Soccer

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(front row) Carson Kekelik, Samantha Barraza, Grace Helmer, Adeline Andello, Janica van Ghent, Juli Nelson, Maureen van Matre, Riley Portone, Anastasia Cipowski-Smith ***(second row)*** Emma Higgason, Kayla Ziel, Alice Foley, Abigail Nita, Olivia Foley, Jaycee Helmer, Kendal Ziel, Annabelle Giannini, Brenna Dyrhaug, Madison Hansen ***(third row)*** Coach John Fekete, Iris Peck, Madi Griegel, Harper Swope, Abi Stetten, Alaina Lany, Olivia Newman, Olivia Choros, Stephanie Cipowski-Smith, Sophia Porter, Ashley Nita, Coach Valerie Pflum ***(back row)*** Emma Herring-Myra Peralta, Coach Eleni Agelopoulos, Avery McKnight, Coach Erin Goodman, Marisa Paredes, Manager Rebekah Spicer, Trinitee Hassan, Kylie Reed, Selma Srour

VARSITY Overall 16-5 NCC 5-0

Lake Central	**5 - 0**	**Brownsburg**	**3 - 2**
Fort Wayne Leo	3 - 2	**Crown Point**	**5 - 5**
Fort Wayne Carroll	3 - 2		
Valparaiso	**5 - 0**	Sectionals	
Lowell	**5 - 0**	**Griffith**	**5 - 0**
North Central Invite	4th	**Highland**	**4 - 1**
Kankakee Valley	**5 - 0**		
Highland	**5 - 0**	Regionals	
Culver	**3 - 2**	**Merrillville**	**5 - 0**
West Lafayette	**3 - 2**	**Lake Central**	**5 - 0**
Penn	**3 - 2**		
Hobart	**5 - 0**	Semi-state	
Warsaw Invite	3rd	Carmel	5 - 0
Andrean	**5 - 0**		
Chesterton	**3 - 2**		
Guerin Catholic	**4 - 1**		

Boys' Tennis

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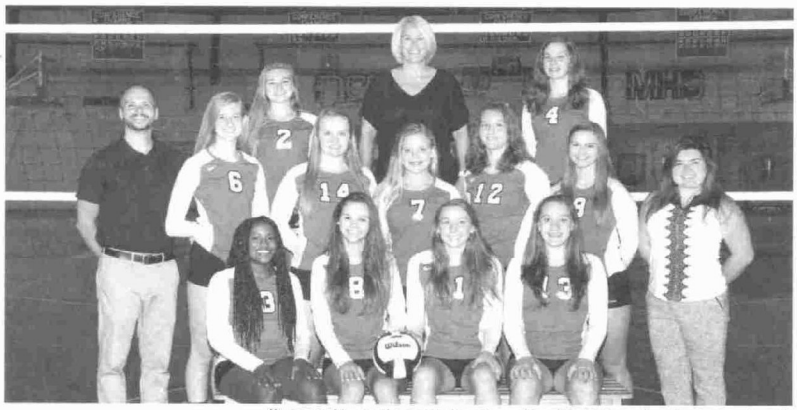
(front row) DJ Fesko, Joe Webster, Peyton Specht, Kathir Venkat, Frank Wolf, Zach Schmidt, Jonathan Harris, Shreyas Iyer ***(second row)*** Jack Gauderman, James Krieg, Davin Hawkins, Coach Kalen Hurish, Coach Patrick Spahr, Coach Sid Rothenstein, Adam Rienstra, Joey Baeza, Easan Venkat, Max Ladd ***(back row)*** Dane Hamilton, Rayhan Zaman, Max Buka, Michael Svolos, Conner Meyer, Ron Panigrahi, Ben Dodge, Jacob Dzurovcik, Adam Wisniewski, Sami Muhrez

JV Overall 26-4

Crown Point	2 - 1
Chesterton	**2 - 0**
Homewood Flossmoor	**2 - 1**
Lowell	**2 - 0**
Marion	**2 - 0**
Andrean	**2 - 0**
Bishop Noll	**2 - 0**
Hobart	**2 - 0**
Mishawaka	**2 - 0**
Washington Township	**2 - 0**
Michigan City	**2 - 1**
Penn	2 - 0
Lake Central	**2 - 1**
Highland	**2 - 0**
Kankakee Valley	**2 - 2**
Valparaiso	**2 - 0**
Lowell	**2 - 0**
LaFayette Central Catholic	**2 - 0**
Valparaiso	**2 - 0**
LaPorte	2 - 1
Sandberg	2 - 0
Kankakee Valley	**2 - 0**
Highland	**2 - 0**
Carroll	**2 - 0**
Valparaiso	**2 - 1**
Andrean	**2 - 0**
Crown Point	**2 - 1**
Portage	**2 - 0**
Highland	**2 - 0**
Hobart	**2 - 0**



JV Volleyball

(front row) Imani Kemp, Maddie Sharp, Hazel Wolf, Torres Lourdes ***(second row)*** Coach Brett Boden, Emily Banaszek, Clarissa Iwachiw, Emme Pouliton, Catherine Clements, Ava Sopcic, Coach Caelainn Crnjak ***(back row)*** Ava Cundiff, Andrea Sullivan, Hannah Foster

FRESHMAN Overall 27-4

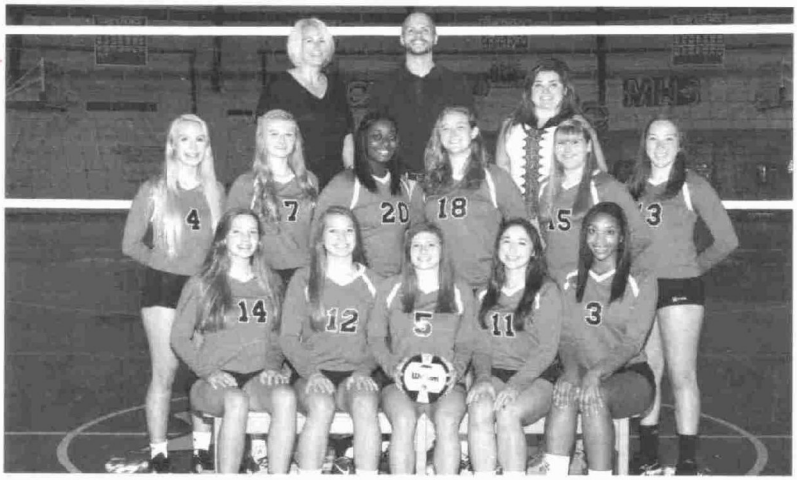
Scores not provided

Freshman Volleyball

(front row) Maddy Andrejewski, Mia Adamus, Catherine Clements, Mariah Vasquez, Mackenzie Stricklin ***(second row)*** Coach Andrea Sullivan, Sophia Farias, Genevieve Mrvan, Katelyn Sons, Sarah Resch, Kaitlyn Munoz, Coach Brett Boden ***(back row)*** Nadia Torres, Coach Caelainn Crnjak, Salma Prince

VARSITY Overall 16-18 NCC 9-1

Crown Point	3 - 0
Chesterton	3 - 1
Homewood-Flossmoor	3 - 0
Minooka	2 - 0
Bolingbrook	**3 - 0**
Lockport	2 - 0
Rosary	2 - 0
Hinsdale South	2 - 0
Lowell	**3 - 2**
Marian Catholic	3 - 0
Andrean	3 - 0
Hammond Bishop Noll	3 - 1
Hobart	**3 - 0**
Elkhart Memorial	**3 - 0**
Carroll	3 - 0
South Bend St. Joseph	**3 - 0**
Culver Academies	**2 - 0**
Lake Central	3 - 2
Highland	**3 - 0**
Kankakee Valley	**3 - 0**
Providence	2 - 0
Lafayette Jefferson	**2 - 0**
Bloomington North	2 - 0
Rossville	**2 - 0**
Valparaiso	3 - 2
Lowell	**3 - 1**
Michigan City	3 - 1
Valparaiso	3 - 1
Kankakee Valley	**3 - 0**
Andrean	**3 - 2**
Portage	**3 - 0**
Hobart	**3 - 0**
Highland	**3 - 0**
Crown Point	3 - 0



Varsity Volleyball

(front row) Sydney Foster, Faith Blair, Lauren Kuipers, Karina Monajaras, Laula Wallace ***(second row)*** Emilee Eggebrecht, Brooke Dills, Jordyn Warner, Katie Dodgson, Rebecca Dodgson, Lilly Lemke ***(back row)*** Coach Andrea Sullivan, Coach Brett Boden, Coach Caelainn Crnjak

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WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

What professional team would you play on?

- ☐ Bulls — Collin Vukadinovich, 11
- ☐ Railcats — Evan Dubose, 12
- ☐ Chicago Bears — Matthew Certa, 10
- ☐ Cleveland Caviliers — Jevon Morris , 11
- ☐ New York Lizards — Ali Sato, 11
- ☐ Thunder — Afam Oniah, 9
- ☐ Chivas — Nick Ibarra, 10
- ☐ Duke — Anastasia Margaris, 12
- ☐ Lakers — Nana Nnuro, 9
- ☐ Cubs — Sarah Johnson, 12
- ☐ Blackhawks — Johnny Groen, 12

WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

If you could hang out with a professional athlete, who would it be?

- ☐ Michael Phelps — Madison Meyer, 11
- ☐ Russell Westbrook — Jacob Fitch, 12
- ☐ Javier Baez — Lauren Kozy, 11
- ☐ Manuel Neuer — Nolan Dicrall, 10
- ☐ Lionel Messi — Enrique Compass, 9
- ☐ Misty Copeland — Antonia Linnane, 9
- ☐ Serena Williams — Shriy Iyer, 9
- ☐ Jimmy Butler — Josh Hoogewerf, 12
- ☐ Tom Shields — Grant Afman, 10
- ☐ Gracie Gold — Leah Chavez, 12

Sports reference

Freshmen Boys' Basketball

(front row) Ari Arzumanian, Joey Marcus, Derrick Wiening, Preston Powe, Ben Greiner, Michael Cundiff, Cooper Grapenthien ***(second row)*** Bryce Schaum, Keith Kaszycki, Clayton Bubash, Afamefuna Oniah ***(back row)*** Tyler Reyna, Luke Hackett, Dane Hamilton, Christian Young, Noah Poole

Freshmen Overall A team 18-2 Overall B team 1-4

Kankakee Valley 65 - 37
Crown Point 42 - 44
Crown Point 31 - 36 *(B team)*
Lowell 75 - 40
Highland 64 - 24
Morton 54 - 26
Hobart 76 - 28
Hammond 48 - 30
Portage 56 - 24
Portage 11 - 12 *(B team)*
Chesterton 41 - 25
Lake Central 47 - 33
Lake Central 45 - 51 *(B team)*
Bishop Noll 60 - 44
Griffith 60 - 26
Gary West Side 67 - 28
Andrean 69 - 47
East Chicago 39 - 41
Crown Point (HT) **45 - 26**
Lake Central (HT) **43 - 40**
Gavit 78 - 15
Merrillville 46 - 42
Merrillville (B team) 27 - 16
Valparaiso 45 - 31
Valparaiso 31 - 34 *(B team)*

JV Boys' Basketball

(front row) Victor Mancha, John Stanko, Alphonzo Franks, Joey Rogers, PJ Katona ***(second row)*** Josh Batur, Krishna Lakshmanamurthy, Clayton Bubash, Jeremiah Lovett ***(back row)*** Tim Giannini, Jack Cundiff, Dane Hamilton

JV Overall 13-8

Bishop Noll 42 - 41
Portage 44 - 46
Hammond 58 - 45
Morton 41 - 38
East Chicago 42 - 55
Crown Point 34 - 52
Lake Central 41 - 43
Whiting 70 - 42
South Bend 42 - 45
Kankakee Valley 55 - 50
Highland 73 - 58
Merrillville 41 - 38
Michigan City 36 - 38
Hobart 58 - 53
Lowell 49 - 27
Valparaiso (OT) 54 - 64
Griffith 61 - 43
Chesterton 44 - 47
Andrean 43 - 31
Hammond Clark 65 - 28
LaPorte 50 - 32

Varsity Boys' Basketball

(front row) Tyler Zabrecky, Josh Davis, Tommy Maloney, Jevon Morris, Luka Balac, Eric Jerge ***(second row)*** Blake Stepanovich, Nick Fies, Coach Mike Hackett, Scott Farmer, Greg Charles ***(back row)*** Greg Luksich, Christian Young, Jake Argenta, Luke Hackett, Jack Cundiff

VARSITY Overall 17-7

Bishop Noll 63 - 57
Portage 57 - 48
Hammond 65 - 68
Morton 67 - 59
East Chicago Central 52 - 57
Crown Point 46 - 45
Lake Central 58 - 54
Gavit 69 - 48
Andrean 57 - 65
Griffith 56 - 49
Kankakee Valley 58 - 48
Highland 48 - 41
Merrillville 67 - 61
Michigan City 51 - 46
Hobart 75 - 35
Lowell 60 - 47
Valparaiso 55 - 56
Griffith 56 - 58
Chesterton 38 - 56
Andrean 76 - 60
Hammond Clark 39 - 36
LaPorte 78 - 42

Sectionals
Lowell 56 - 49
Lake Central 47 - 50

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Freshmen Girls' Basketball

(front row) Natalie Mansour, Jordan Duff, Samantha Sellers, Mariah Vasquez, Gabriela Herrera ***(second row)*** Cymphani Carey, Hannah Zukley, Coach Charity Schmidt, Satia Shad, Becky Jones ***(back row)*** Rylee O'Mara, Harper Swope, Sophia Farias, Dane Van Ghunt

Freshmen Overall 6-11

East Chicago	**29 - 26**
Hobart	16 - 19
Hanover Central	**28 - 22**
Hobart	**21 - 18**
Kankakee Valley	8 - 27
Lowell	16 - 23
Hammond Clark	**41 - 11**
Lake Central	19 - 39
Griffith	**31 - 19**
Chesterton	17 - 20
Crown Point	25 - 39
Lake Central	14 - 44
Highland	29 - 31
Highland	9 - 19
Lowell	14 - 20
Portage	22 - 31

JV Girls' Basketball

(front row) Gianna Rooney, Kayla Ziel, Ava Cundiff, Emme Poulston ***(second row)*** Emily Eisha, Aleena Mongerie, Coach Brianne Rubesha, Holly Kaim, Madi Griegel ***(back row)*** Ella McComis, Janica Van Ghunt, Stephanie Cipowski-Smith, Mikayla Collins

JV Overall 16-6

Hammond High	**56 - 6**	**Portage (HC Tourney)**	**44 - 27**
East Chicago	**23 - 15**	**Hobart (HC Tourney)**	**37 - 25**
Chesterton	21 - 34	**TF South**	**37 - 16**
Andrean (NCC)	**29 - 21**	Crown Point	26 - 46
Hammond Morton	**36 - 20**	Kankakee Valley (NCC)	24 - 40
Hammond Clark	**51 - 8**	**Highland (NCC)**	**16 - 23**
Hebron	**50 - 23**	Valparaiso L 34-38	**44 - 17**
Lake Central	22 - 37		
Hobart (NCC)	**38 - 33**		
Hammond Gavit	**50 - 11**		
Lowell (NCC)	26 - 31		
Gary West Side	**31 - 22**		
Bishop Noll	**35 - 22**		
Calumet	**36 - 11**		
Lowell (HC Tourney)	**53 - 29**		

Varsity Girls' Basketball

(front row) Mikayla Collins, Janica Van Ghunt, Kayla Ziel, Maddy Lakomek, Ella McComis, Izzy Bednarowski ***(second row)*** Coach Charity Schmidt, Emily Zabrecky, Coach Beth Thornburg, Aleena Mongerie, Coach Davidson, Delaney McGinty, Coach Brianne Rubesha, Kya Vesa ***(back row)*** Holly Kaim, Patty Pfister, Grace Helmer, Taneigh Boyd, Jenna Adams, Jaycee Helmer

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VARSITY Overall 17-7

Hammond High	**80 - 41**
East Chicago *(forfeit)*	**36 - 47**
Chesterton	38 - 40
Andrean (NCC)	**47 - 29**
Hammond Morton	**60 - 46**
Hammond Clark	**71 - 17**
Hebron	**52 - 38**
Lake Central	47 - 49
Hobart (NCC)	**30 - 22**
Hammond Gavit	**91 - 23**
Lowell (NCC)	**55 - 22**
Gary West Side	**43 - 42**
Bishop Noll	**58 - 56**
Portage	**40 - 37**
Calumet	**63 - 29**
Lowell (HC Tourney)	**44 - 35**
Knox (HC Tourney)	51 - 53
Hobart (HC Tourney)	**38 - 23**
TF South	**64 - 15**
Crown Point	37 - 47
Kankakee Valley (NCC)	50 - 56
Highland (NCC)	**41 - 38**
Valparaiso	34 - 56
Sectional: Lake Central	38 - 46

Sports reference

JV Cheerleading

(front row) Jorianna Hazel, Emily Badynski, Diana Ortiz, Vanessa Pascual, Katelyn Sarmiento, Desiree Bedolla ***(second row)*** Esperanza Navarro, Dayanara Jimenez, Anabelle Hauter, Nayeli Alvarado, Serena Alamillo ***(back row)*** Onteya Zachary, Mikala Bryant, Amanda Beaudouin, Yalissa Rubio, Mianna Papageorge

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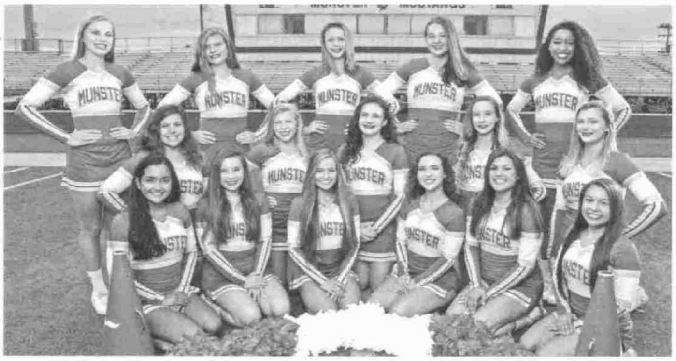
Varsity Cheerleading



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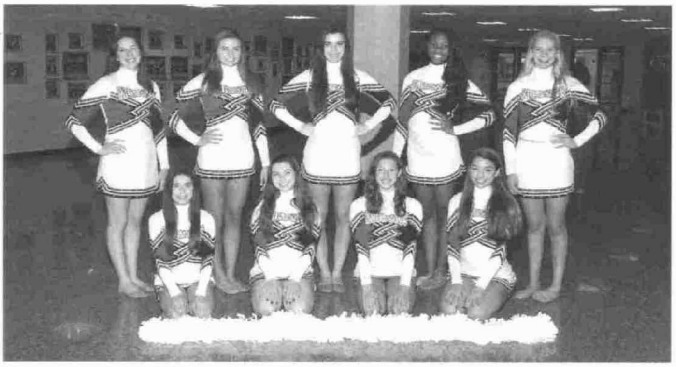
(front row) Vanessa Koultourides, Lauren Stafko, Thalia Chioros, Sophie Sakelaris, Katie Dedelow, Corina Cabrales ***(second row)*** Melina Chioros, Brooke Gardiner, Alayna Eismin, Mary Elizabeth Calgaro, Lindsey Katalinic ***(back row)*** Gillian Bedenk, Megan Flynn, Skylor Van Ermen, Bailey Broelmann, Zaria Ellis

VARSITY

Lake Central Competition	**1st**
Purdue Competition	**1st**
State Prelims	9th

JV Dance



(front row) Marina Gasich, Halle Asplund, Emily Rakich, Clara Zuniga ***(back row)*** Taylor Olmstead, Kailyn Oganovich, Alyse Lepir, Taylor Graham, Abigail Kavanaugh

JV

Munster	
JV Pom *(exempt)*	**69.60 / 1st**
JV Jazz *(exempt)*	66.00 / 2nd
Kahler	
JV Pom	**69.33 / 1st**
JV Jazz	64.93 / 2nd
UDA Chicagoland	
JV Pom	78.0 / 5th
JV Jazz	83.25 / 2nd
JV Pom	**72.33 / 1st**
JV Jazz	67.4 / 2nd
Marian	
JV Pom	**75.70 / 1st**
JV Jazz	67.63 / 2nd
Lake Central	
JV Pom	**73.2 / 1st**
JV Jazz	**69.03 / 1st**
State	
JV Pom	**1st**
JV Jazz	2nd

Varsity Dance

Check out more on pages 68-69

(front row) Bella Buono, Victoria Williams, Emma Harvath, Reem Alsakaji, Alexandra Vjestica ***(second row)*** Alina Arzumanian, Savanah Sharpe, Jill Cuvala, Ceci Lipschultz, Monica Fronczek, Alyssa Strege ***(back row)*** Layna Kounelis, Jamie DeJoan, Abbey Ruckert, Stephanie Niemiec, Payton Poulston

VARSITY

Munster	
Small ensemble *(exempt)*	**74.23 / 1st**
Varsity Pom *(exempt)*	**78.43 / 1st**
Varsity Jazz *(exempt)*	76.07 / 2nd
Large ensemble *(exempt)*	**73.13 / 1st**
Duet, Poulston & Ruckert *(exempt)*	**78.0 / 1st**
Solo, Niemic *(exempt)*	67.17 / 2nd
Kahler	
Varsity Pom	**81.00 / 1st**
Varsity Jazz	79.47 / 3rd
UDA Chicagoland	
Varsity Pom	77.5 / 4th
Varsity Jazz	80.5 / 6th
Northrop	
Small ensemble	**76.83 / 1st**
Varsity Pom	**79.97 / 1st**
Varsity Jazz	**78.00** / 4th
Large ensemble	**77.77 / 1st**
Duet, Poulston & Ruckert	73.80 / 2nd
Solo, Niemic	65.60 / 5th
Marian	
Small ensemble	**81.20 / 1st**
Varsity Pom	83.77 / 2nd
Varsity Jazz	78.40 / 3rd
Large ensemble	77.60 / **1st**
Duet, Poulston & Ruckert	73.23 / 2nd
Solo, Niemic	**78.07 / 1st**
Lake Central	
Small ensemble	**77.03 / 1st**
Varsity Pom	**82.2 / 1st**
Varsity Jazz	**78.43 / 1st**
Large ensemble	**78.4 / 1st**
Duet, Poulston & Ruckert	72.1 / 3rd
Solo, Niemic	82.4 / 2nd
USDA Nationals	
Varsity Pom	5th
Varsity Jazz	10th
State	
Varsity Pom	**1st**
Varsity Jazz	2nd
Solo, Niemic	3rd

VARSITY

Penn	91 - 92
Lowell	**127 - 59**
Kankakee Valley	**144 - 41**
Hamilton Southeastern Invite	4th of 7
Valparasio	**74 - 28**
South Bend Riley	36 - 66
Highland Invite	**1st of 8**
Hobart	**127 - 58**
JV Chesterton	50 - 135
Highland	**145 - 38**
Lake Central	**125 - 61**
NCC Conference	**1st of 5**
Chesterton	69 - 117
Sectionals	**1st of 16**
State	9th

Boys' Swimmming and Diving

Check out more on pages 74-75

(front row) Jasvir Singh, Brandon Silver, Eric Wallace, Joey Baeza, Jake Hemingway, Rayyan Siddiqui, A.J. Zachary, Nate Kunas ***(second row)*** Michael Morganelli, James Ashcraft, Carlo Candelaria, Tony Bohling, Michael Dempsey, Karl Larson, Justin Joens, Aidan Smith ***(third row)*** Cal-Jammie Richmond, Lucas Alvarez, Holden Raffin, Grant Atman, Quinn Hasse, Kyle Adams, Fenry Zhou, Jacobus Barnard, Max Arnold ***(back row)*** Coach John Stamper, Coach Mat Pavlovich, Joshua Harvey, Ilija Manojlovic, Tyler Kisala, Jack Burian, Coach Anna Nasinska, Olivia Candelaria

VARSITY

Penn	77 - 109
Lowell	**110 - 76**
Kankakee Valley	**136 - 50**
Hamilton Southeastern Invite	5th of 7
Valparaiso	50 - 52
South Bend Riley	**56 - 46**
Highland Invite	3rd of 7
Hobart	**129 - 54**
JV Chesterton	55 - 131
Highland	**136 - 44**
Lake Central	71 - 115
NCC Conference	**1st of 5**
Chesterton	55 - 131
Sectionals	**1st of 16**

Girls' Swimmming and Diving

Check out more on pages 72-73

(front row) Anastasia Kapustina, Srishti Sarkar, Audrey Beck, Bella Blackford, Miranda Adams, Aleksandra Manojlovic, Kay Foley, Maria Blaesing, Savannah ***(second row)*** Moira Glowacki, Lola Fay Papanikolaou, Mia Tumacder, Melinda Michalski, Samantha Buttano, Brisa Bohling, Julia Garcia, Onteya Zachary, Sydni Branch, Leah John ***(third row)*** Savannah Kunas, Eleanor Wilson, Ali Annunziato, Elizabeth Hanas, Clarisa Cortez, Eliana Candelaria, Hailey Fortener, Lindsy Vanek, Deven Burse, Alice Foley ***(back row)*** Coach John Stamper, Olivia Candelaria, Haley Mize-Block, Erin Bryce, Carson Kekelik, Casey Meldgin, Cal-Jammie Richmond, Coach Mat Pavlovich, Coach Anna Nasinska

VARSITY Overall 5-17

Andrean	**W**
Plymouth	0 - 5
Highland	L
Traicroff	1 - 4
Kankakee Valley	1 - 4
Al SmithLake county	30 of 32
NCC	10th
Team Sectional	5th
Team Regional	3rd

Notable Individual Records

Ethan Castillo, *weight class 113*	23 - 19
William Rojas, *weight class 120*	21 - 17
Jonah Clark, *weight class 182*	20 - 16
Cody Crary, *weight class 170*	13 - 3
Caleb Thomas, *weight class 220*	26 - 6
Caleb Thomas at Al Smith Invitational	2nd

Sectionals

n Castillo, Jonah Clark & William Rojas	3rd
Ryan Hyland, Junior & Caleb Thomas	2nd
Cody Crary	1st

Regionals

Cody Crary	2nd
Caleb Thomas	2nd

Semi-state

Cody Crary	2nd

State

Cody Crary	4th

Wrestling

Check out more on pages 70-71

(front row) Robert Maldonado, Leo Tsirtsis, Dave Mueller, Alec Samardzich, Luke Hermansen, Will Rojas, Ethan Castillo ***(second row)*** Cody Crary, Ryan Hyland, Coach Eric Thomas, Steven Campbell, Coach Mike Crary, Cayleb Mendoza, Coach Zach Slosser, Ethan Korwek ***(back row)*** Caleb Thomas, Chris Olivieri, Noah Escamilla, Dominick Reda, Jonah Clark, Angelo Garcia

WHAT IS ON YOUR LIST?

What's your favorite event in the winter Olympics?

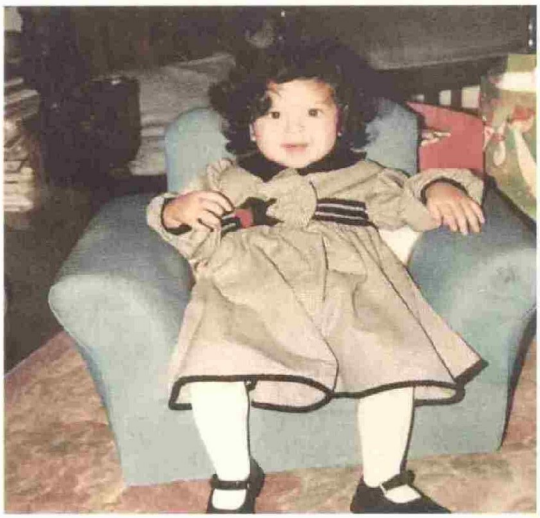
- ☐ Figure Skating — Kelli Canul, 12
- ☐ Snowboarding — Roberto Jurado, 11
- ☐ Curling — Joey Marcus, 9
- ☐ Luge — Kathir Venkat, 10
- ☐ Snowboarding — Jenai Richards, 12
- ☐ Biathlon — Ben Dodge, 10
- ☐ Figure Skating — Patrick DeJarlais, 11
- ☐ Skiing — Clarissa Iwachiw, 10
- ☐ Bobsleigh — Grace Gozdecki, 10
- ☐ Speed skating — Kamden Gorang, 11
- ☐ Snowboarding — Lilly Lemke, 10

WHAT IS ON YOUR LIST?

If you could make up an Olympic event, what would it be?

- ☐ Competitive Hopscotch — Rebecca Dodgson, 12
- ☐ Dodgeball — Jari Martinez, 12
- ☐ Thumb war — Josh Pagan, 9
- ☐ Hunger Games — Brant Peloquin, 9
- ☐ Four Square — Mollie Clark, 10
- ☐ Jump Rope — Anna Speckhard, 9
- ☐ Lightsaber Dueling — Sami Muhrez, 10
- ☐ Improv — Sydney Hamill, 11
- ☐ "Floor is lava" — Ryanna Pastrana, 12
- ☐ Hide and seek — Anna Cruz, 12

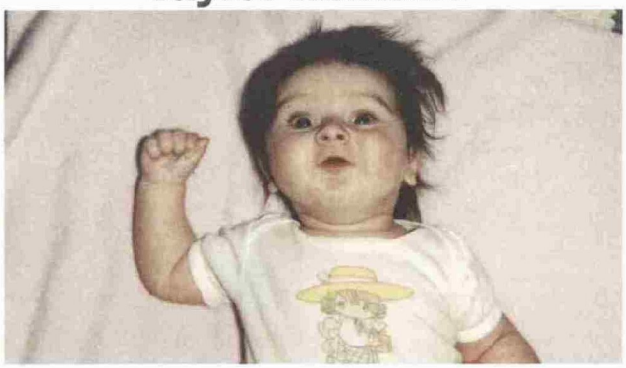
Victoria Reardon



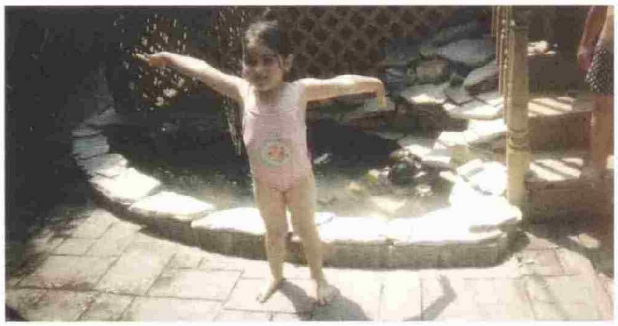
....We love "the Goo"....

When she was born, she was blue...
When she walked, it was with one shoe...
In school she was always asking for extra work to do...
Now she's a graduate with a focus that is true...
Always putting family and friends first in queue...
What a beautiful young woman prepared for her debut....
And that is why we love the Goo!

Taylor Homans



"Wow!" It's weird how one of the happiest days can be ones of the saddest at the same time. I find myself saying this over and over: my little girl is graduating! We are so proud of you and always remember to stay true to yourself.
Love, Mom and Dad

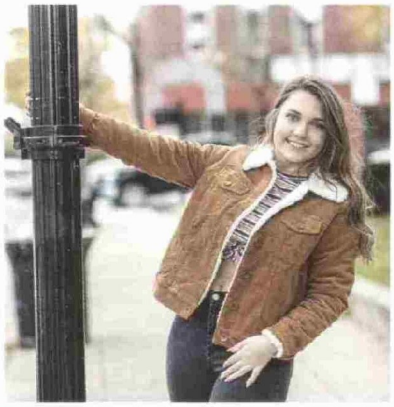


Megan Wolski

Be fearless in pursuit of what sets your soul on fire.
We are so proud of your accomplishments and wish you success in everything you do.
All our love,
Dad, Mom, Sophia, Isabella and Robert

Emily Mudroncik

Dear Emily,
Always remember
you are braver than you
believe,
Stronger than you seem,
Smarter than you think,
& loved more than you
know.



We're so excited to see what adventures you'll experience at IU and beyond!

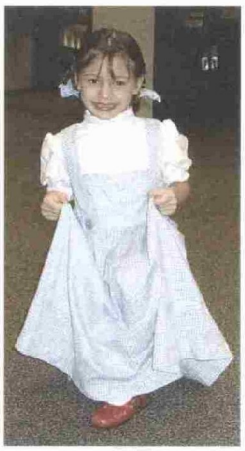
Love, Dad, Mom,
Evan, Colin, Babcia,
Barkley and Baxter

Kendal Ziel

CONGRATULATIONS, KENDAL!

We are so proud of your accomplishments at MHS! Wishing you continued success at University of Wisconsin-Parkside. May you always be happy and follow your dreams in college and beyond.

WE LOVE YOU!
Mom, Dad & Kayla



Ian Brundige

Ian, we are so proud of the young man you have become! Your creativity, strong will and determination will serve you well in the future! We love you so! Dad and Mom

Micala Boyd

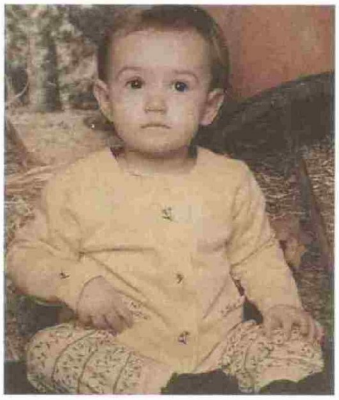
When once you were lost, now you are found. If ever it was on your list, you've accomplished it (and gone through so many pivotal post-its in the process!)

But I know there's one more thing—you haven't been everywhere yet!

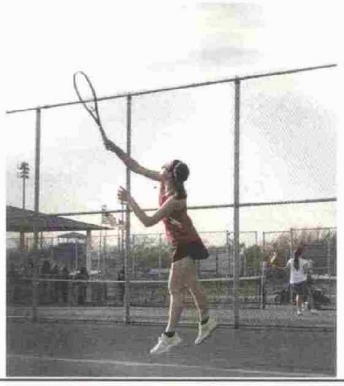
Now it's time for you to grow and to learn and to continue becoming all the things you've wanted. I have confidence that you can do everything you set your mind to: if you ever think you aren't capable, please see Paragon 2016, 2017 & 2018 as proof that, if you have a dream (or even just the smallest bit of inspiration), you can turn that dream into a solid reality.

We will miss you— so don't forget us as you travel the world, make your first million, and ask all the questions you want!

Love,
Ms. Lanman &
your publications family



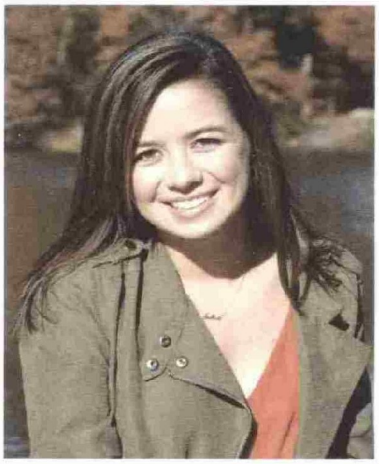
Kelli Canul



Congratulations Kelli!
Love,
Mom, Dad and
Christopher

Shoot for the Moon.
Even if you miss, you'll
land among the stars.

- Norman Vincent Peale



Abigail Nita

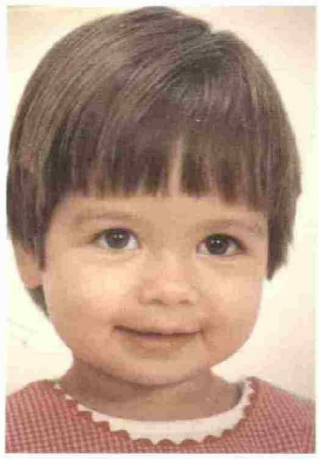
"Live each day
to the
FULLEST
and make it your
MASTERPIECE"

We are so very proud of you! Your determination and persistence have made your academics, sports and extracurricular activities a huge success!
You are amazing!

What life behind you and what lies before you are small matters compared to what lies within you. Stay true to yourself.

We wish you happiness, strength, joy and love in your next chapter of life.

We love you, Abby!
Mom, Dad & Ashley



James Salisbury

We have watched you grow from an innovative boy to a young man who lets nothing stop you. Every challenge you've faced, you thought outside the box and overcame it. We are so proud and excited to see what this next chapter may bring.
GO NAVY!
Love Mom and Dad

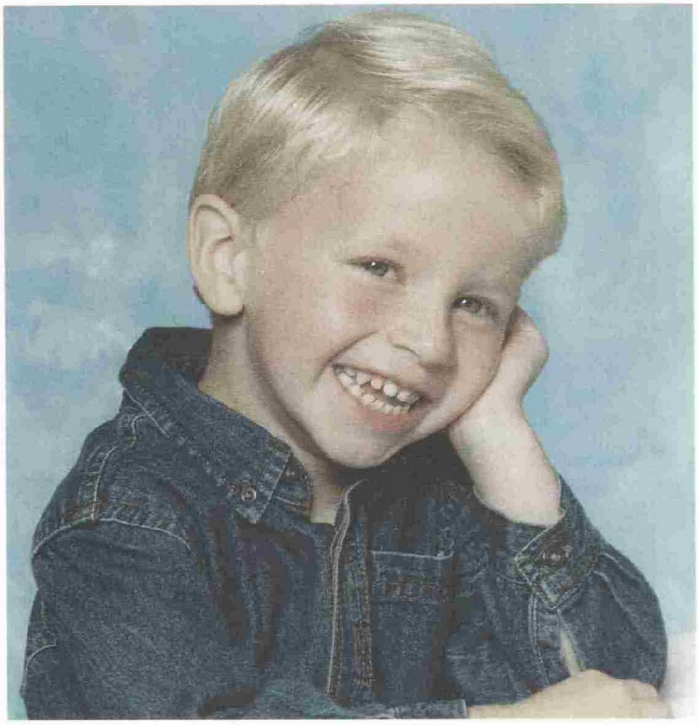
Michael Weiner

An investment in knowledge always pays the best interest

-Benjamin Franklin

Good Luck in your future endeavors

Dad, Jared and Daniel

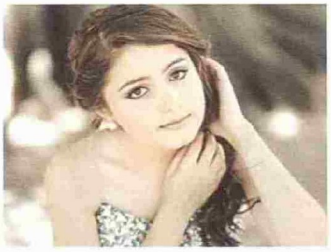


Micah Flahaven

You are such a gift in our lives. We are so proud of all you have accomplished and filled with hope for your future. God bless you.
Love, Mom and Dad, Jared, Julie,and Thor, Seth, and Ethan

Jessica Wiess

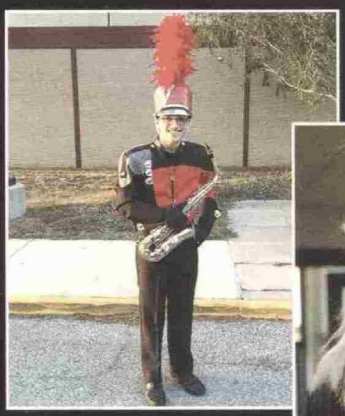
"Promise me you'll always remember: You're braver than you believe, and stronger than you seem, and smarter than you think." -A.A. Milne
We love you Jess!
Mom, Dad & T.J.

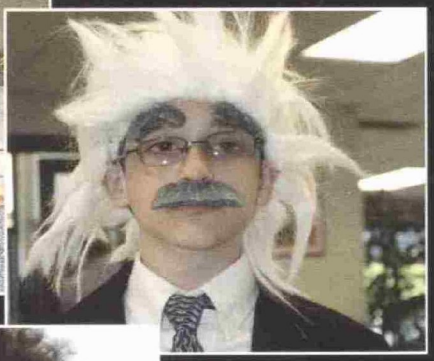


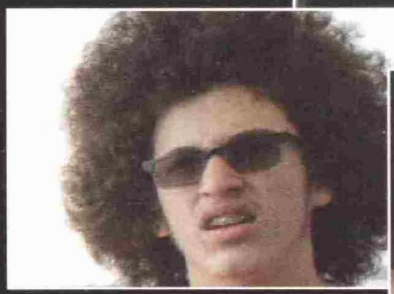
Tracy Perezchica

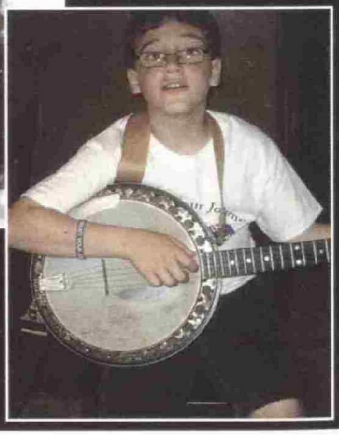
We are so proud of you!
Your future is bright!
Love, Rachel, Miguel,
Amelia & Tommy

Matthew Levin









We look forward to what the future holds for you!!
Love, Mom and Dad

Connor Nussbaum

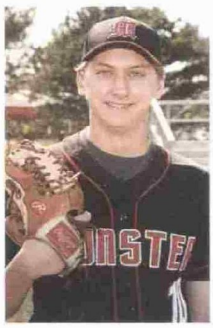
Congratulations! We are so proud of you and we are so excited for your future. We love you! Mom, Dad, Grandma Shirley, Humma, Auntie Tara, Tyler, Emilie, Cody and Olivia

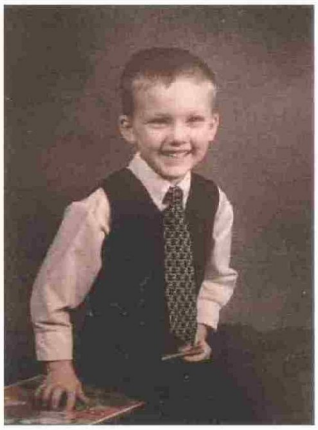
Hansa Vavilala

Congratulations, Chotu! We are so very proud of you and cannot wait to see where your dreams take you. We are with you every step of the journey.
Love,
Mom, Dad & Akka

Alex Weakland

From Little Leaguer to High School Senior, you've always made us proud.
Love,
Mom and Dad

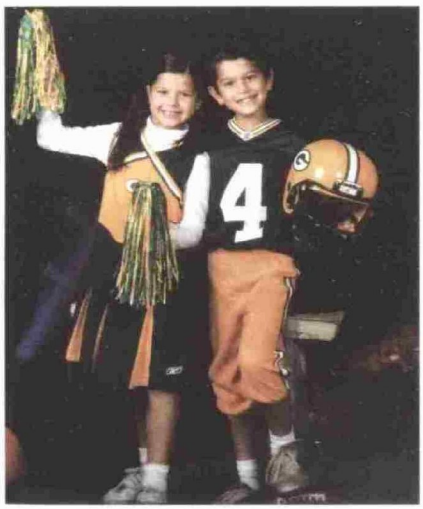




Ryan Carl Leahy

Congratulations, Ryan!
Our blessing arrived on October 10, 1999. You have grown up to be very compassionate and independent! We love you and wish you lots of happiness and success in the future! Keep smiling!
Love you always,
Dad, Mom, Kyle, Krysten, Lauryn, (Your dogs Leroy and Nani), Grandpa Carl, Grandma Bonnie, and Family too! Grandma Jeanne is in your heart forever!

Victoria Reardon



To the Little Sister I never wanted, but am glad that I have!

Congratulations on your graduation, Victoria! Love ya!
Christian

Ally Shinkan

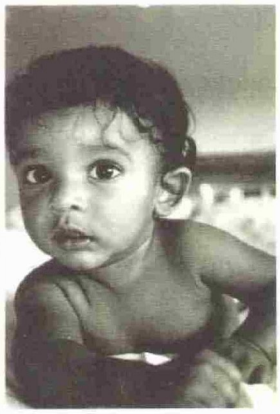
"Keep moving forward, opening new doors, and doing new things... Your curiosity will lead you down the path of SUCCESS."
Good Luck at Purdue!
Boiler Up!
Love,
Dad, Mom, and TT

Don't be resonable in your desires; be BOLD and full of dreams. For now another chapter of life begins, as you graduate into adulthood. We are so very proud of you!

All Our Love
and Best Wishes
Mom Brandon
Dad Brittany

Bradley Goralczyk

Easan Venkat

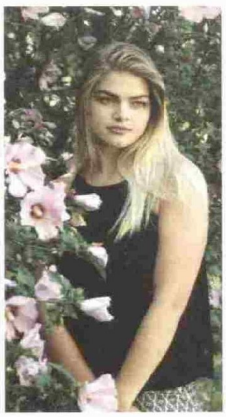


Congratulations, Easan!

Your thoughtful, kind heart will take you far in life. We wish you the best of everything and know you will achieve what you set your mind to.

With much love, Appa, Atha, Rathnam & Kathir

Carsyn DeLooff



"There are far, far better things ahead than any we leave behind."
—C.S. Lewis

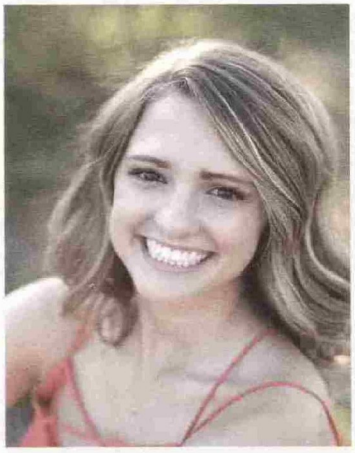
Congratulations Carsyn!

Love,
Mom and Dad

Emma Harvath

"Always remember, you have within you the strength, the patience and the passion to reach for the stars to change the world."
Harriot Tubman

While your time at MHS is coming to an end, the next stage of your life is just beginning and we have no doubt that you will continue to succeed. We are very proud of you for what you have accomplished and who you've become. Work hard, take chances, learn from your mistakes and never stop dancing to whatever music life brings you.
Love, Mom, Dad, Erin, Eric and Piper



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Congrats Liv, for making it from tiptoes to pointe shoes!
We love you,

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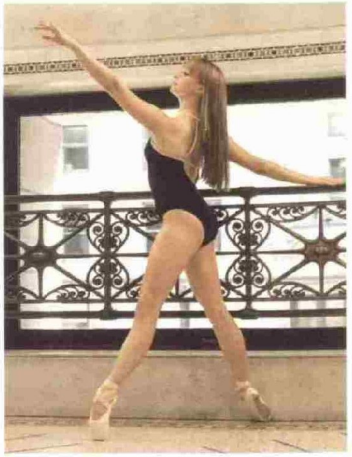

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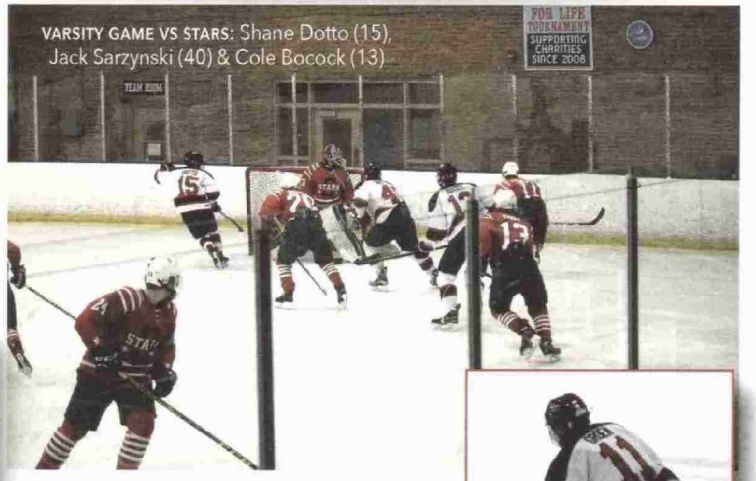
LAST, COACHES: Jake Boender (JV Head Coach), John Groen (JV), TJ Mancuso (Goaltending), Bob DeGard (V), Rick Rubino (V Head Coach)

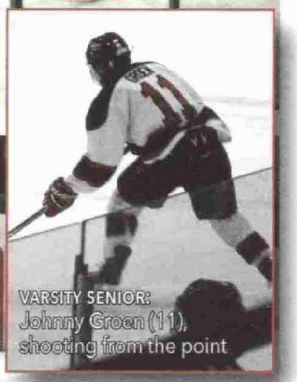
VARSITY GAME VS CROWN POINT: Seniors Chase Miles (9), James Bugajski (38)

VARSITY SENIOR: Evan Conway (53), taking the face-off

JV GAME VS HSE: Sam Stassin (1), Jadyn Evans (36) & Gabriel Hoekstra (23)



VARSITY GAME VS STARS: Shane Dotto (15), Jack Sarzynski (40) & Cole Bocock (13)



VARSITY SENIOR: Johnny Groen (11), shooting from the point

VARSITY GAME VS LC: Matt Armour (22), Jack Foster (25), Hunter Houchin (91), Jack Murphy (16) & Zach Kopp (52)

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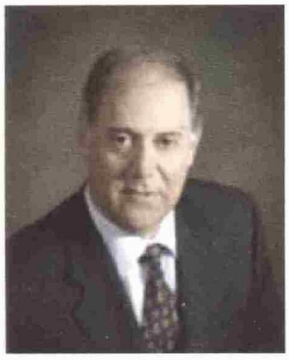

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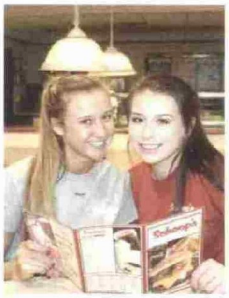

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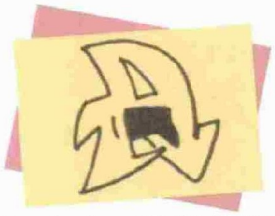

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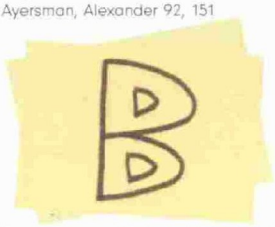

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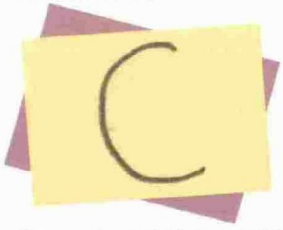

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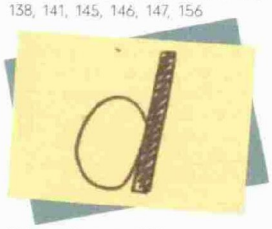

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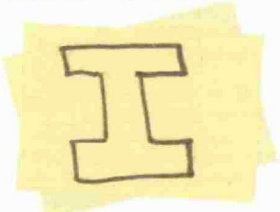

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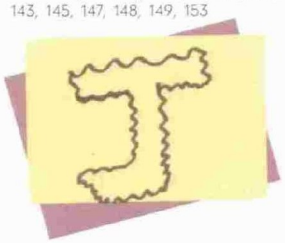

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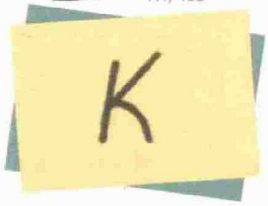

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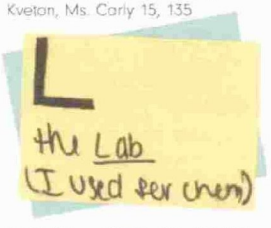

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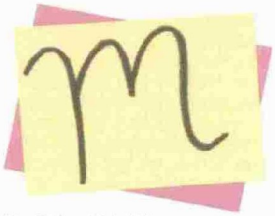
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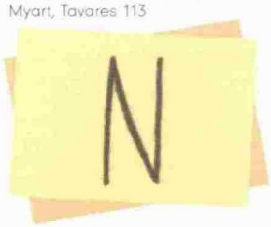
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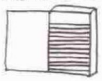

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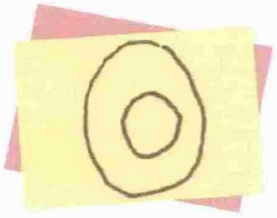
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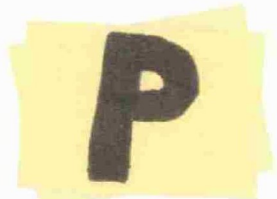
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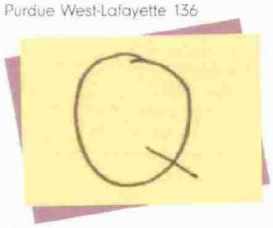

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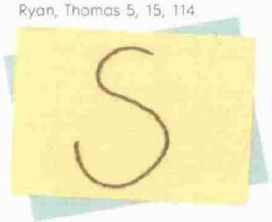

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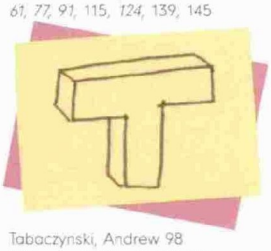

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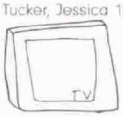

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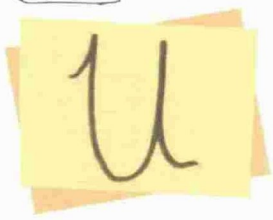

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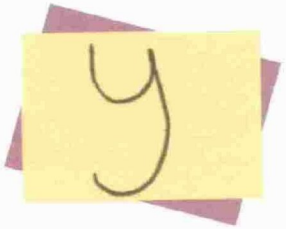

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WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

You are forced to get one word tattooed on your forehead. What would your word be?

- ☐ Hello — Monica Herrera, 11
- ☐ Love — Mollie Clark, 10
- ☐ Sun — Brisa Bohling, 11
- ☐ Mr. Nolan — Olivia Rivich, 12
- ☐ STRONG — Allison Rusnak, 11
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Things to Learn
- InDesign
- Interviewing Skills
- Creative Photo Tips
- Yearbook Terms
- Anatomy of a Yearbook

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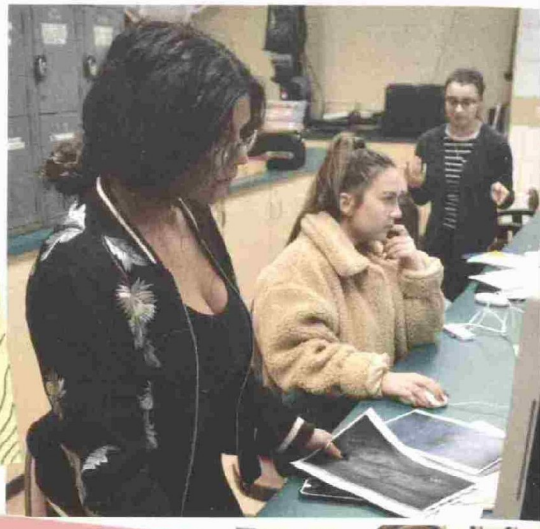

Happy Things
- Thor + Hershey
- Star Wars!
- vine compilations
- old Jonas Brothers songs
- disney soundtracks
- The Office
- 1D bops

Options 4 Dinner:
- Panda express
- Little Cesars
- Potbelly
- Jewel chicken
- Mamas hotdogs

* ~~finish captions~~
* Order lunch
* ~~Call off work~~
* Upload pics

Sports spreads by Friday! & Design proof by report Sunday — Fri. Crier is after school!!

Need To Get Done:
- Captions, Captions due Monday
- Q #1 INDEX → TOM
- hey - music@3:30/stud gov today!
- quizlet
- Khan academy
- SMILE
- OMG deadline approache

Things to do...
- ☐ build spread
- ☐ edit story
- ☐ INTERVIEW!
- ☑ pick photos
- ☐ write captions
- ☐ finish alt. copy

In Focus Working on the yearbook, Victoria Reardon and Emily Mudroncik, seniors, and Abbey Burris, junior, work in the publications lab on the Mac computers."I liked the feeling when you got to see all your hard work finished on the spread" Emily said. **Cut It Out** Cutting out hearts for a poster, Sydney Pastor, junior, works on a poster for Valentine's day. "You are given the freedom to what you are assigned to do within a deadline, you got to choose how you did it." Sydney said. **Sale's Push** Talking to students about the yearbook, Elizabeth Fonseca, junior, Taylor Homans, and Micala Boyd, seniors, give students candy if they had bought their yearbook. "Working with different grades made me more open and able to talk to people" Elizabeth said. **Fun and Games** At the publications retreat, Catie Gilhooly, junior, and Megan Wolski, senior, play a game. "I joined yearbook because it was something that I was interested in, I wanted to be apart of something that last forever," Catie said. **Yearbook Fun** Taking test shots in the publications photo studio, Micala Boyd, senior, Ms. Sarah-Anne Lanman, publications adviser, and Ian S. Brundige, senior, pose for a picture for the personal brand spread. "We looked like a family in this picture, but we really are a family because we spent so much time together," Micala said. Photos by Megan Szymanski, Taylor Homans, Victoria Reardon

Things to do:
- INDEX
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- Club Ref
- Picture!!!
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Colophon

Everyone had a list. Taylor had a grocery list for 12 pounds of potato wedges to bring to Pubsgiving. There was a weird playlist for deadline coloring ceremonies including Megan's choice: "Weird Al" Yankovic's parody of "Bad" by Michael Jackson, and... it was really bad. The blacklist was always growing and going to Schoop's would never get checked off our bucket list.

Things to do: Sydney wrote notes on the board when Ms. Lanman wasn't looking. Catie doodled calligraphy that almost got used on the cover. We watched to see if the black and white printer had caught on fire yet. We produced the best Winter Holiday commercial ever ("yeAA grandma!").

Places to go: Everyone checked out the new studio set up. Micala took the Navy Pier picture the day before deadline. Abbey sent Chloe and Lily off on wild photos adventures. Elizabeth sent Emily to the Mac Lab to translate Wingdings for her next Secret Santa clue. Ms. Lanman only let people in if they knocked with purpose.

People to see: This included cardboard cutout people too (Linda was always watching). Kammy had to find Victoria when her dog Luna (who was not named after our accent font) was wandering the streets. For the first time ever, our staff would be able to enjoy Spring Break knowing our book was on track to be published by the end of May. We would bust open a piñata to celebrate final deadline before the last day of February. For the first ever, Paragon would be in the hands of our student body before graduation, all thanks to Kammy for the idea. We made it happen through hundreds of Post-It notes, very special markers and a lot of scanning.

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With a press run of 800 copies, the 176-page book featured 100 lb. gloss paper stock and a fusion cover with heavy deposit ink. Early bird book orders cost $50, with prices changing to $60 before winter break and $70 until the end of the school year. The book was delivered in May with the spring supplement arriving for students in the summer.

The staff designed the cover artwork themselves with inspiration from a page from the February 2017 edition of Real Simple magazine. Design inspiration came from El País Semanal and Columbia College's Echo Magazine: The Flux Issue. The copy font is AHJ Noveo Sans, and the headline and accent fonts include Oswald and Luna.

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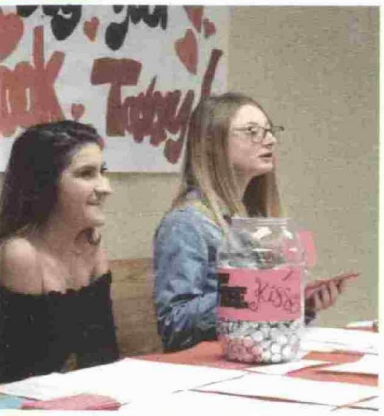
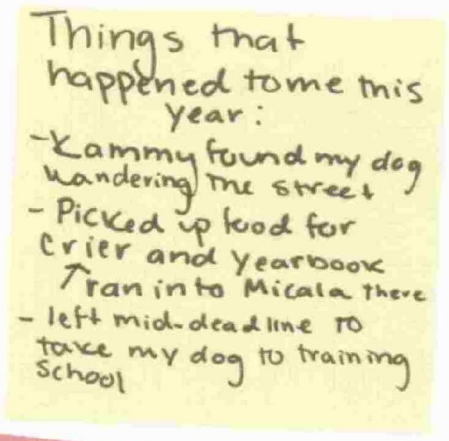
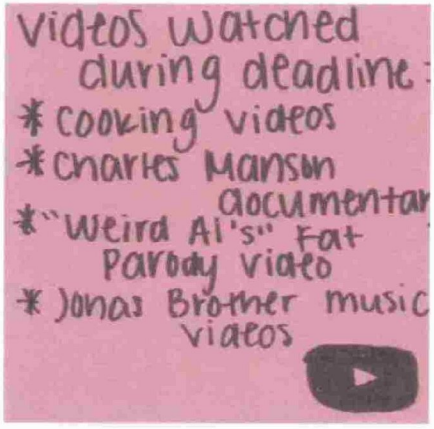
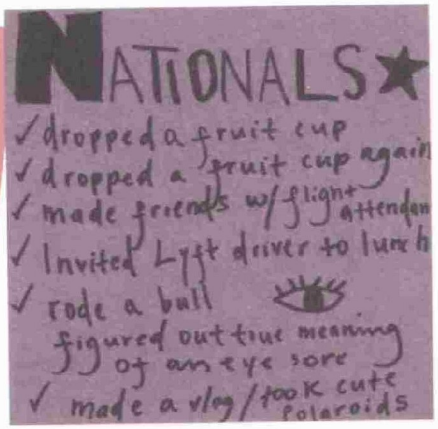
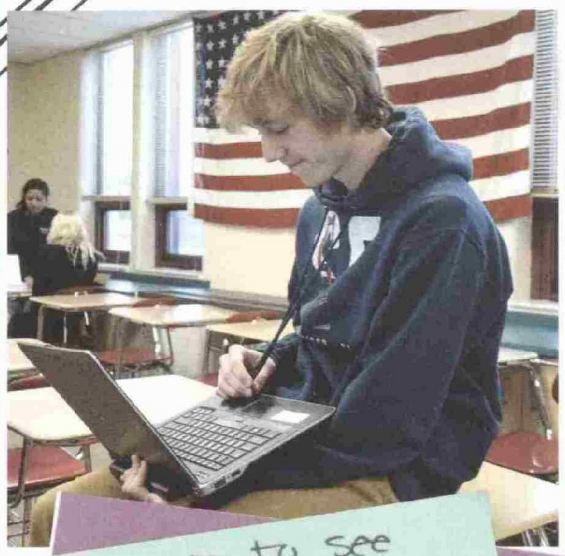


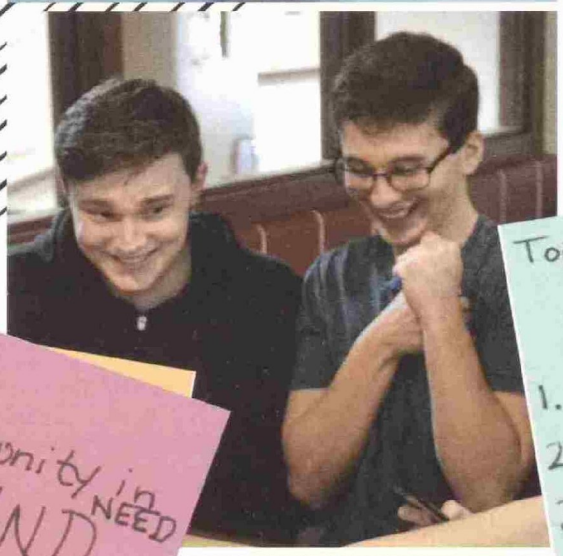


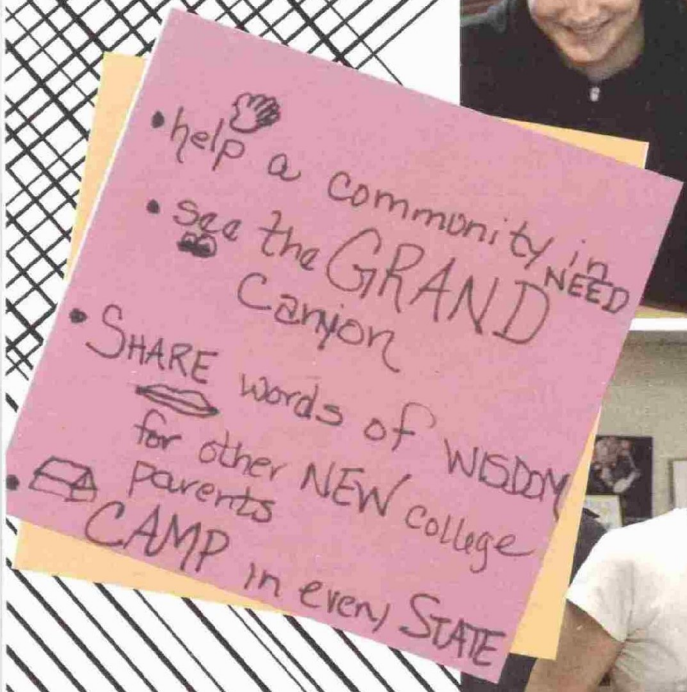


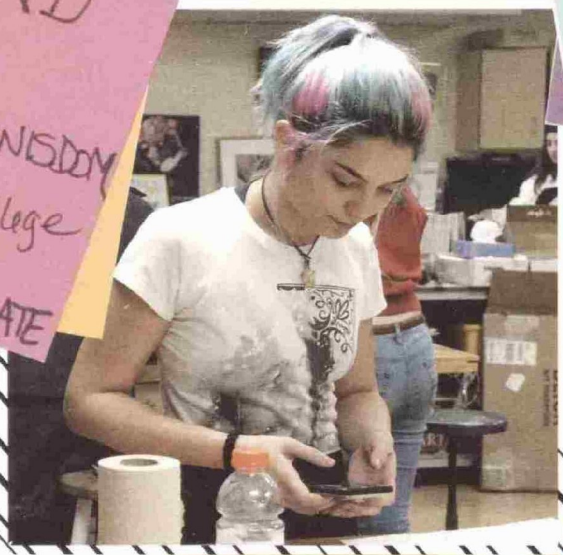


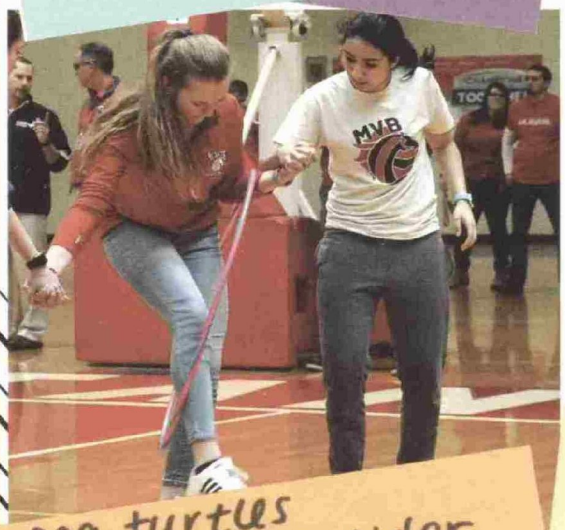
Fly Away After being an alternative last year at Sectionals, Samantha Buffano, sophomore, swims the butterfly stroke. The second and fourth lap were the hardest for her. "It was a mind rush," Samantha said. "I was really nervous." **Laptop Psych** Sitting in Mr. Matthew Kalwasinski's classroom, Luke Dragicevich, junior, checks his laptop before class starts. He enjoyed learning Psychology as it was one of his favorite subjects. "It wasn't boring," Luke said. "The stuff we learned in there is interesting and if I was doing something in my daily life I could relate it and put a term to it." **Playing Hand** During lunch, juniors Austin Lynn and Kamden Gorang play card games. Their entire table played different games once they were done eating. "Last year during finals week, we didn't have a whole lot of stuff to do, so my friends and I started playing Uno and other card games," Austin said. "It was a fun way to let off steam." Photos by Kess Vaitkus and Melanie Powers



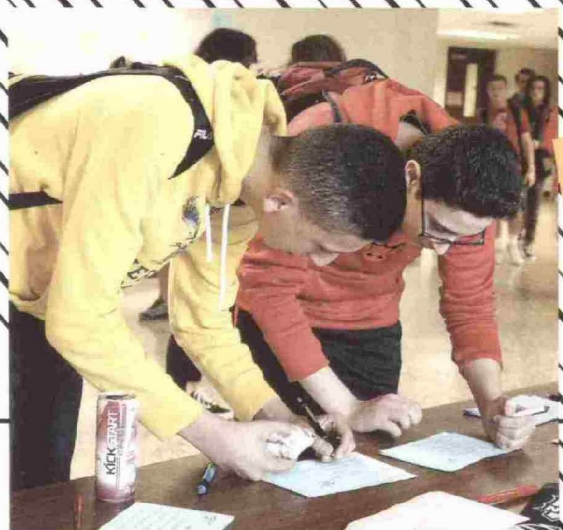


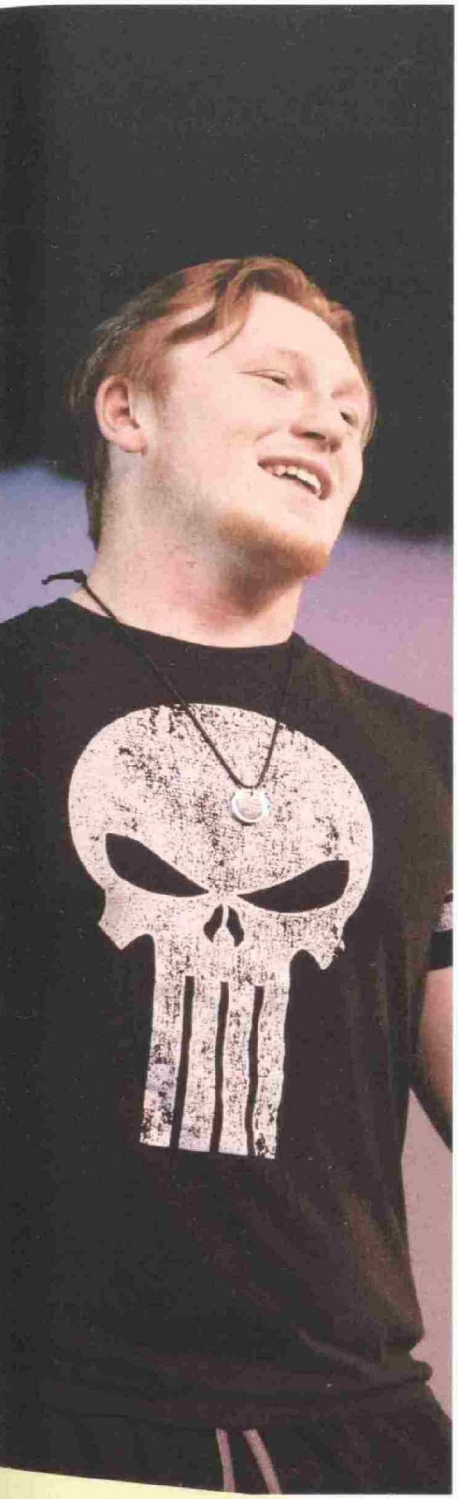






Point of Reference In AP Studio Art, Olivia Truett, senior, uses a photo reference off of her phone. She kept lists of paintings she planned to do in the future and paintings she has done already. "I could paint what ever I wanted and I got to take the class in my own direction," Olivia said. **Hula Girls** During the first Turnabout pep rally in MHS history, freshmen Hannah Zukley and Olivia Quinones try to pass the hula-hoop over their heads and to the rest of the team. The freshmen team cheered each other on and beat the seniors. "I was really nervous because I was participating in the pep rally and the whole school was there but I was happy to contribute," Hannah said. **College Prep** Filling out a quiz during College Go! Week, cousins Mohammad Abushanab, junior, and Salah Hassan, sophomore, enter a raffle to win college spirit wear. The quiz had questions regarding Indiana colleges. "It was my first year here so I wasn't used to talking a lot about colleges but the counselors did a good job," Mohammad said. Photos by Sydney Pastor, Kess Vaitkus and Taylor Homans





Been there, DONE THAT

Watched the juniors beat the seniors during the Powderpuff game, signed into the Media Center electronically, **went to Disney** with Choir over Spring Break, got locked out of South after school and had a janitor unlock the doors, stayed up until 2 a.m. in the morning on Google Drive to complete the "Pride and Prejudice" project for **Mrs. Daugherty**, forgot to return a borrowed battery at the end of the day and got a detention, read all the announcements on Ms. Wichert's study hall board and **donated to the Student Government food drive** for Mr. Kalwasinski's class. Oh wait, they pied Mr. Fortner in the face? ADD IT TO THE LIST

Talent Show Standing on the auditorium stage and looking out at the judges, Jacob Fitch, senior, takes part in the Battle of the Bands auditions. His band, Double Stuf, sang "Party in the USA" by Miley Cyrus, but were cut but the judges and didn't make it through to the final competition. "It was fun putting a band together," Jacob said. "It sucked that we didn't make it through." **Seeing Colors** On a trip to the Museum of Science and Industry, seniors Chloe Moffett and Andrea Lopez walk through an exhibit. An image projected onto mist created colors in the air. "We didn't notice that there was an image on it," Chloe said. "I had Andrea run through it and was filming her," Chloe said. **Birthday Cake** Celebrating her birthday, Mrs. Deb DeLooff, Student Services assistant, blows out candles on her cake from Butterfingers bakery. Her husband handed out flowers for students to deliver to her throughout the day on her birthday. "It made me feel special," Mrs. DeLooff said. "We were family so we all supported each other and celebrate when it was someone's birthday."

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Stand Up Red Getting prepared for their Homecoming pep rally performance, Skylar Van Ermen, sophomore, cheers while sitting on top of sophomore Lindsey Katalinic's shoulders. They cheered for the winning team in the annual tug-o-war challenge while they walked on the field. "I got on top of Lindsey's shoulders to make sure it was known that we were cheering for our football players," Skylar said. Photo by Emily Mudroncik

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Life Goals

- Graduate from the United States Naval Academy
- Go to med school & become a pediatrician
- Redesign / "Flip" Houses

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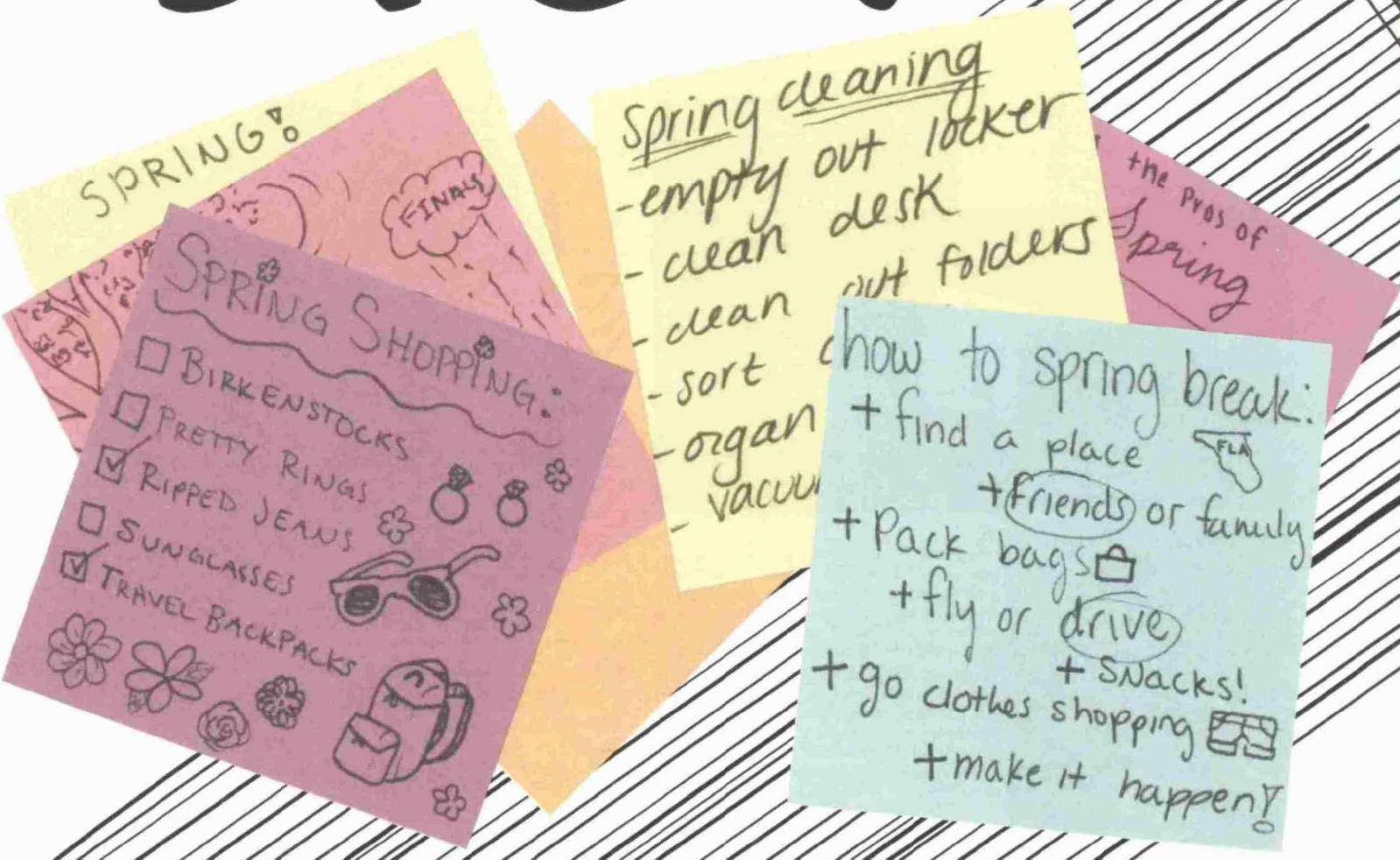
  - get into law school ... yikes
  - Have Mr. Fortner follow me back on IG
  - Not die in AP Calc
  - Go to India!

TO DO: ♡

- APES TEST
- Orchestra Concert
- Math HW
- College Decisions

I haven't been everywhere yet, but

IT'S ON MY LIST



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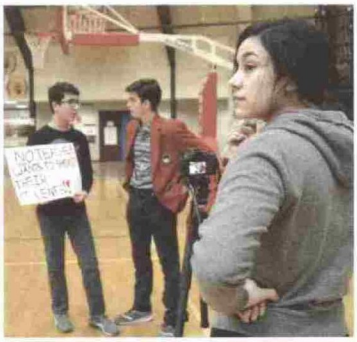
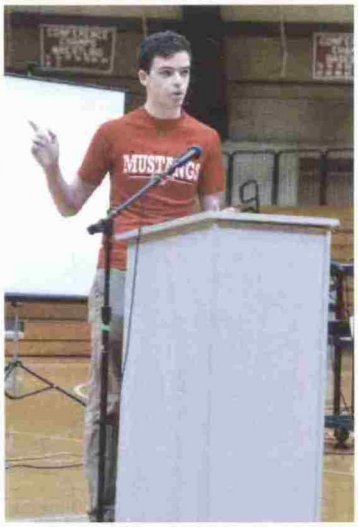
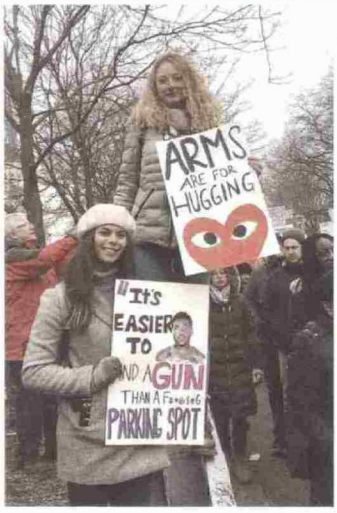
MHS Marches for Their Lives

To show their support, students participate in the MHS walkout and March for Our Lives protest

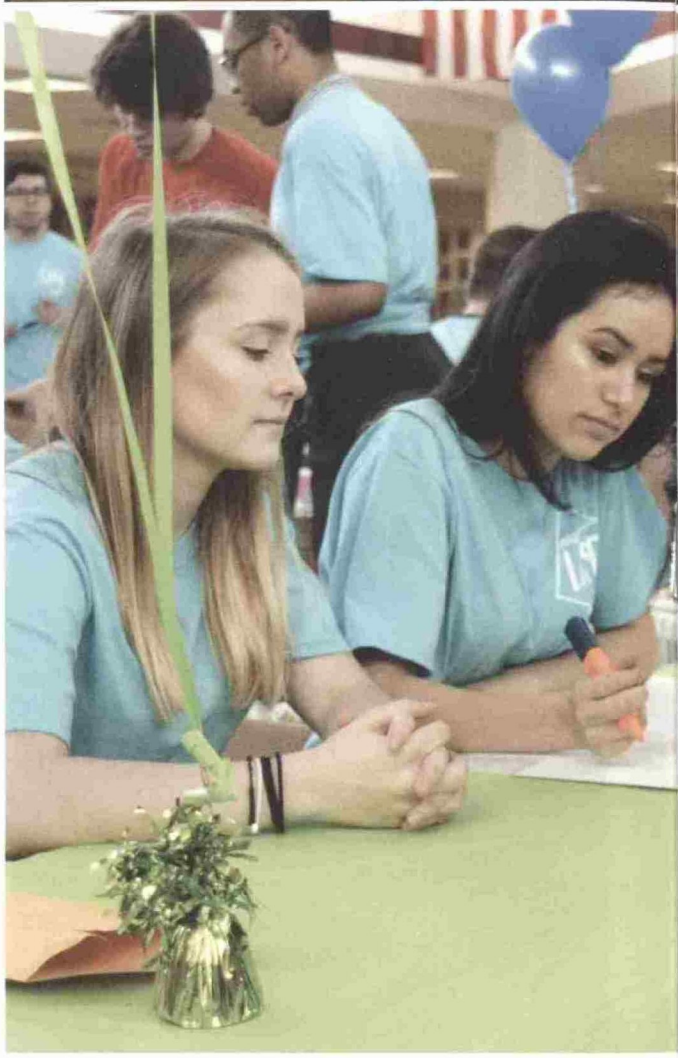




Local Approach After being approached by youth organizers, Tara Layous, senior, was asked to help with the March for Our Lives event in Highland. She gave a speech about gun violence and lead the rally in 17 minutes of silence as well. "I learned, shared and listened while I watched what could happen when communities came together," Tara said. **Interview Intermission** As Matthew Manous, senior, interviews Demetrios Fotopoulos, freshman, (left) regarding the walkout, Mariah Juarez, senior, records the conversation. The footage would be used in the announcements. "If we (walked) outside it would have raised more awareness," Demetrious said. "But I feel like the same things said inside would have been said outside."Photos by Elizabeth Fonseca and Micala Boyd submitted by Tara Layous



A point to make Standing at the podium, president of Civics Club, Connor Meyer, senior, speaks to who participated in the optional school walkout. He felt speaking on an issue that he is so passionate about was a great honor. "I really felt like I was part of something bigger than myself," Meyer said. **Not a Walkout** During the Parkland walkout, Ella Ulakyi, junior, holds up her homemade sign. She felt the need to make this poster to express her opinions against the administration's decision to hold the walkout inside. "I thought since the entire nation was walking out, it would have really solidified us and made us one whole protest." Ella said. **On the Scene** On March 17, Mimi Brody, junior, and Micala Boyd, senior, participate in the nationwide March for Our Lives event in Chicago. They made posters to support the cause. "I was weary about protesting because I was doubtful it would change anything," Mimi said. "After going to the march I realized it wasn't exclusively about making change, it was about so much more." Photos by Emily Mudroncik, Kess Vaitkus, Submitted by Micala Boyd



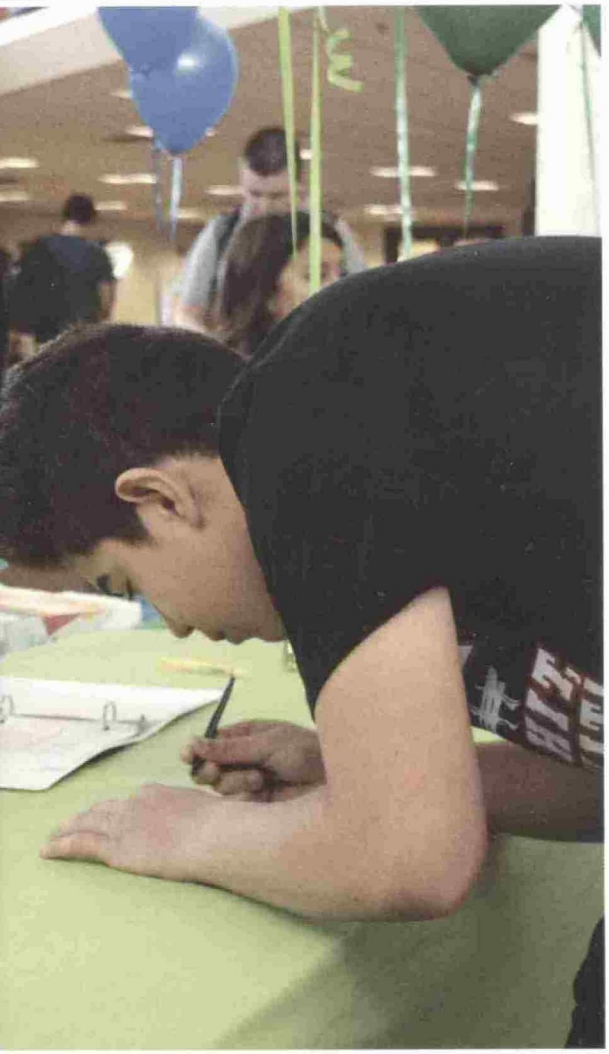
Exciting Reflections After receiving the 2016-2017 yearbook in August, Nikki Choros, junior, and Olivia Choros, freshman, look at the newly distributed yearbook. The two sisters reflected on what had happened in the previous year and pointed out different memories they remembered. "I think it's cool to revisit all the things that happened throughout the y ear and to be able to look back on things," Nikki said. Photo by Elizabeth Fonseca

Herff Green Pen in hand, David Cordova, freshman, signs his ticket at the freshman table which was led by Crier staff member Moira Glowacki, junior, and Paragon staff member, Elizabeth Fonseca, junior. Students who purchased a yearbook were distributed a color coded ticket during third hour. "Working the freshman table was less hectic than the senior table which made me so happy because it was less stress on me," Elizabeth said. Photo by Kess Vaitkus

Spring Switch

For the first time in 53 years, Paragon was in the hands of the student body before the last day of school

Story by Micala Boyd



Students recieved two yearbooks this year: the 2017 and the 2018 book. This was possible because Paragon staff switched to a spring delivery book.

"I liked the idea of people having it in their hands before the school year was over," managing editor Kammy Moore, junior, said. "They could reflect on the year before they left."

In the past, the yearbook was not delivered to students until August of the following school year. Because students didn't receive their book during the school year, they missed out on the opportunity to have their friends and teachers sign their book.

"In middle school and elementary school, I was always a fan of signing everyone's books," Kammy said. "It was always a big deal. So I really, really pushed for this."

At a journalism workshop over the summer, Kammy considered doing a spring delivery yearbook. Other schools in The Region such as Lake Central and Crown Point had been doing the spring delivery book for a couple years prior, so it was agreed early delivery could be a viable option.

While getting the yearbook sooner sounded appealing and convenient to most of the student body, it dramatically altered the deadline calendar for the book. Getting the book sooner meant the book needed to be produced faster. Typically the beginning months of the school year were used for theme development and planning the ladder (a tool used by staff to plan what coverage would be on each page of the yearbook). However, this year, that had to get accomplished within the first three weeks of the year.

After a long year of tight deadlines, distribution day came fast. It was held on May 17. Both members from Paragon and Crier staff spent the day delivering tickets and handing out yearbooks.

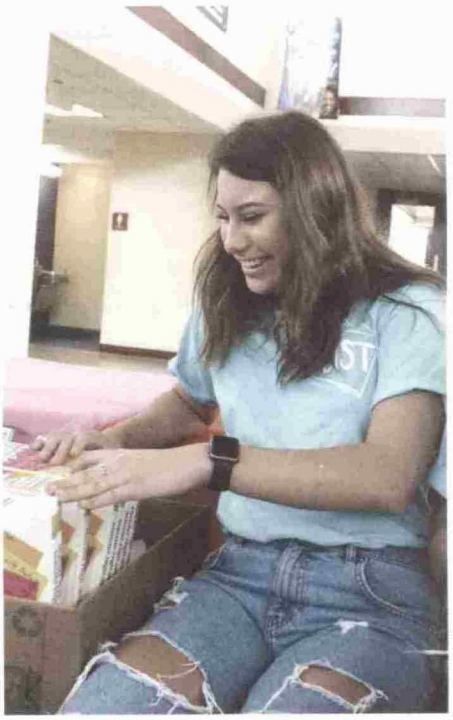
"Distribution stressed me out," Miss Sarah-Anne Lanman, publications advisor, said. "I was afraid something would be messed up, but I did a lot of planning. I trained my students and... it went well."

"It was really rewarding because we worked all year on the book," Paragon photographer, Sydney Pastor, junior, said. "Everyone worked hard together and we finally got to see it in print."

WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

In one word, what was it like receiving a yearbook in the spring?

- ☐ exciting — Niki Crowe, 12
- ☐ Convenient — Joseph Hillegonds, 9
- ☐ Great — Carolina Arroyo, 9
- ☐ Easy — Caitlin Wallace, 9
- ☐ Bright — Devin Gravelle, 12
- ☐ Exciting — Amy Stankiewicz, 12



Double Check During yearbook distribution, Megan Wolski, senior, makes sure that each book is labeled correctly. Students had to have a special colored card specific to their grade with their name to get their yearbook. "We put in a lot of hard work and planned a lot for the yearbook distribution," Megan said. Photo by Emily Mudronclik

Group Thoughts Gathering around each other, Chris McLeod, Joe Roe, seniors, and Rachel Lyons, Carey Scott, juniors, look through the fall yearbook together. Their favorite thing to see in the yearbook was all of their friends. "It was a memory to say the least," Rachel said. Photo by Elizabeth Fonseca

This is how to spring break

We asked students to submit photos – whether they traveled across the world or across the couch – this is how they answered:

Story by Micala Boyd

The last day of school before spring break was March 23.

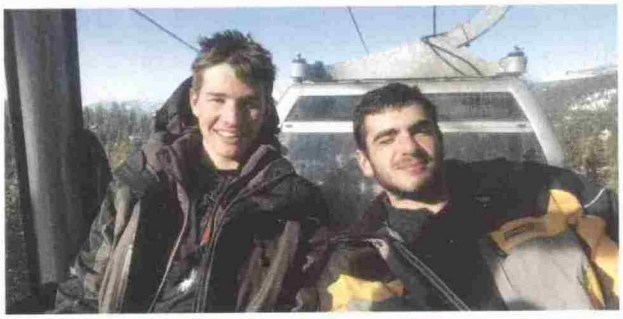
"Spring break meant almost the end of the school year," Thalia Chioros, senior, said. "(The end of the school year) meant warm weather and more time to spend with friends.

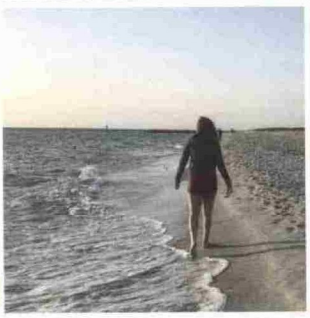
Spring break meant 38 more school days before summer break and 35 before finals.

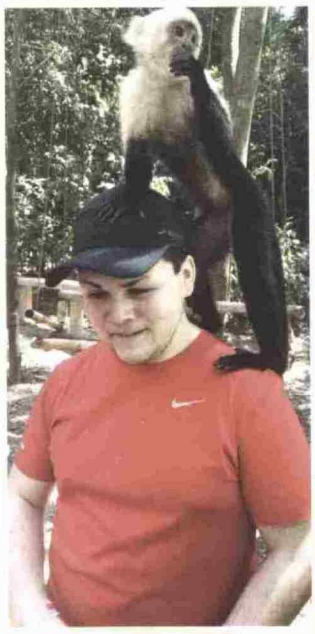
"(Spring break) was kind of the perfect escape," Melissa Mardyla, junior, said. "The school year really started to get rough around after the first month of second semester. It was nice to take a break from everything for seven to ten days."

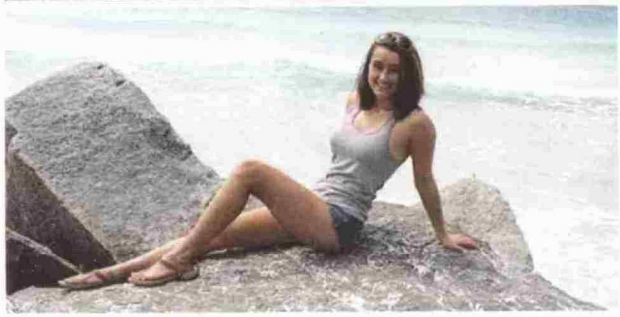
Students went as far as Africa and as close as a staycation here in Munster.

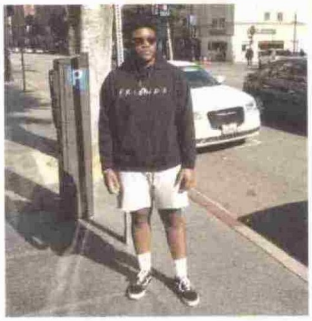
"It was a week for us to spend time with each other," Taylor Moreno, senior, said. "We were all busy during the year."



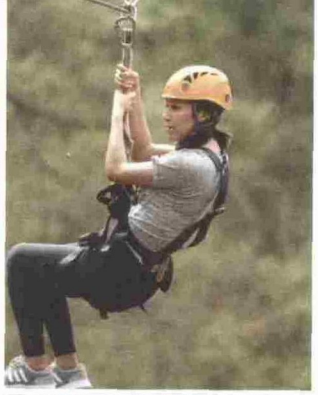


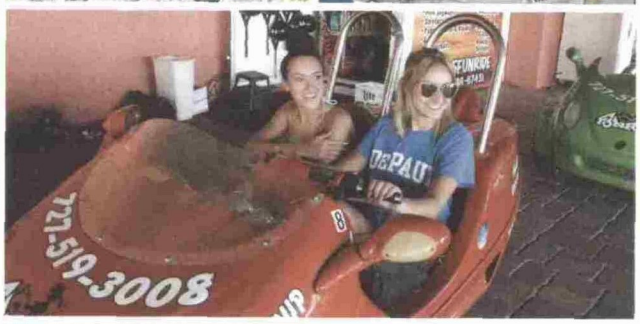


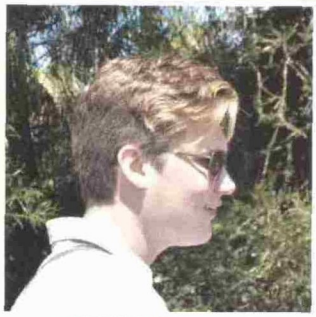


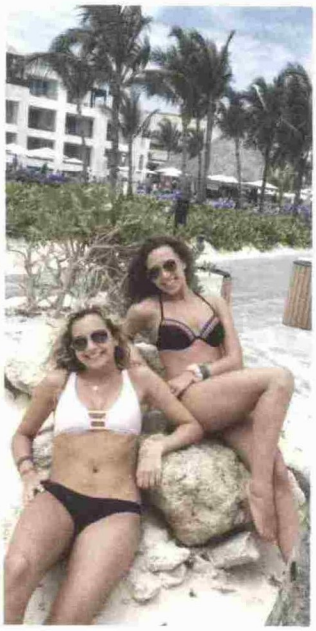


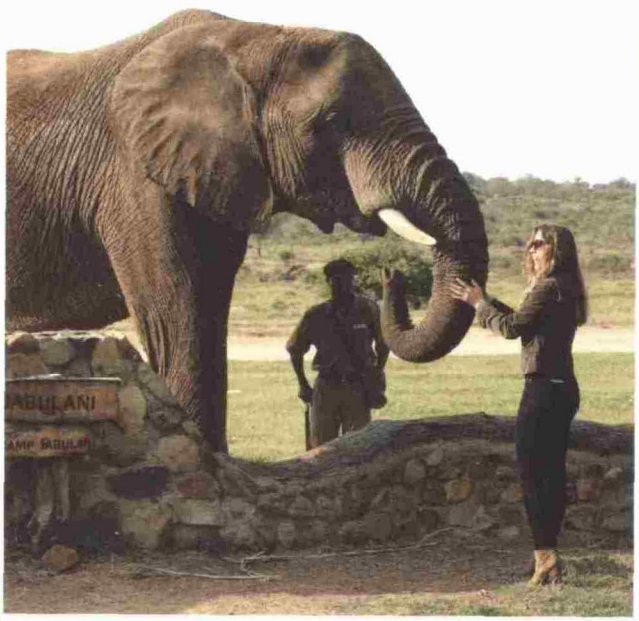
Spring Fever *(Center)* Maria Rucinski, senior, visited Lily Porter who moved to Madrid Spain after her junior year at MHS. Melissa Mardyla, junior, met an elephant in Kapama Private Game Reserve, South Africa. Olivia Foley and Jaycee Helmer, seniors, Atlantis Paradise Island, Bahamas. *(Fifth row)* Nicole Jen, junior, went to St. Andrews State Park, Panama City, Fla. Connor Nussbaum, senior, went to the Smoky Mountains. Gwynn Hammermeister, senior, went to Orlando, Fla. *(Bottom left)* Thalia Chioros, senior, went to Central Park in New York City. Carl Adindu, senior, went to Los Angeles. Maggie Curtin, Izzy Bednarowski and Megan Dedelow, juniors, went to Phoenix. Brooke Gardiner, sophomore, and Max Marich, freshman, went to Flamingo Beach Montego Bay, Jamaica.

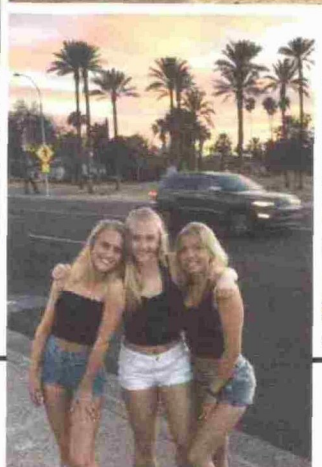


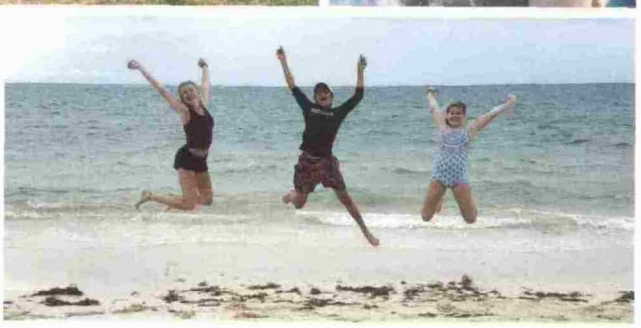












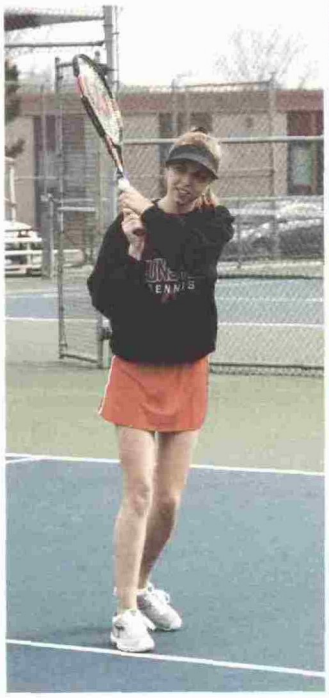
Student submitted photos

Gone Away *(Top left)* Adam Wisniewski, junior, and Max Arnold, sophomore, went to Lake Tahoe, Nevada. Taylor Moreno, senior, went to Miami. Alina Arzumanian and Jill Cuvala, juniors, went to St. Pete Beach, Fla. Holden Raffin, sophomore, went to Punta Cana. Elise Garcia, senior, zip-lined in Tenessee. Jessica Tarpo and Anna Dabrowski, seniors, went to Clearwater, Fla. Jack Stork, sophomore, went to SeaWorld in San Diego. *(Third Row)* Ben Peters, junior, and Ariel Velasco and Arianna Pina, sophomores, went to San Diego Zoo. Seniors Katie Dedelow and Lauren Stofko went to St. Petersburg, Fla. Karolina Sroka, junior, went to Cancún. Mira Fefferman, sophomore, fished in Ft. Lauderdale Fla. Sofia Balac and Victoria Williams, seniors, went to Punta Cana. *(Fourth row)* Caroline Chael, sophomore, went to San Diego Zoo with choir. Lilly Lemke, sophomore, walked the beaches of Captiva Island. Madiha Ali, freshman, went to Noodles & Company in Munster. Eli Stricker, junior, went to Roatan Bay, Honduras.

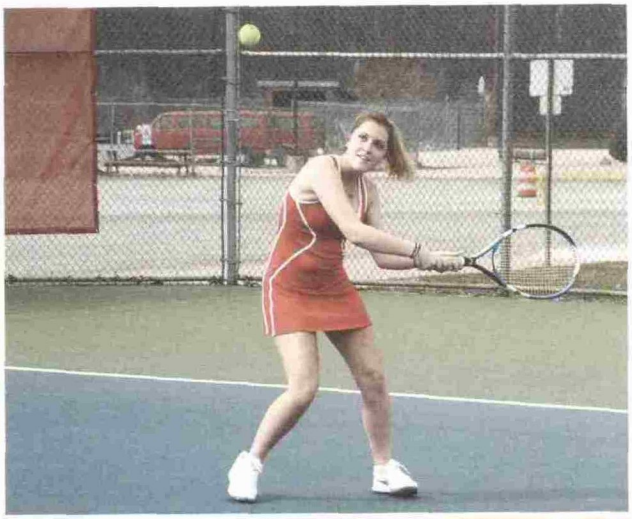
WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

What is your spring break essential?

- ☐ green planet tan — Audrey Beck, 11
- ☐ My bed — Lucy Torres, 10
- ☐ Adventures — Ashley Savickis, 12
- ☐ My earbuds — Irene Tsakopoulos, 9
- ☐ Friends — Clarissa Iwachiw, 10
- ☐ Netflix subscription — Annacoleen Cruz, 12
- ☐ Rest — Samantha Jenkins, 9

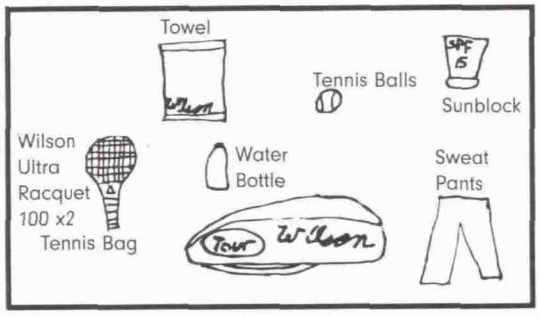


Backhand Hit Finishing her hit, Karolina Sroka, junior, watches carefully on where the ball will land. These matches required a lot of careful attention and focus. "A tactic that would help me during a match would be to stay focused on the ball and follow through my shot," Sroka said. **Building New Friendships** Warming up, Jess Wiess, senior, practices her backhand. During her matches, she enjoyed meeting so many new people and built lots of friendships on and off the courts. "It's always fun to finish your match early because then you get to watch your teammates matches and see how they're doing," Wiess said. **Tradition on the Court** During her match, Emily Rakich, freshman, focuses on where she going to hit the ball next. To get herself mentally prepared, herself and her team always did their special chant before a match. "A tradition we do before a match is we say a chant and it goes, "bust em, bust em," Rakich said. Photos by Emily Mudroncik, Megan Szymanski, and HR Imaging



In the bag

Captain Kelli Canul, senior, shares what is in her tennis bag throughout the season



WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

In one word, what do you love about tennis?

- ☐ bonding — Karolina Sroka, 11
- ☐ Committed — Shalini Tallamraju, 10
- ☐ Family — Emily Rakich, 9
- ☐ Competition — Maria Delis, 10
- ☐ Sisterhood — Shriya Iyer, 9
- ☐ Bonding — Jess Wiess, 12
- ☐ Lively — Waaniya Irfan, 9
- ☐ Tennis — Megan Flynn, 9

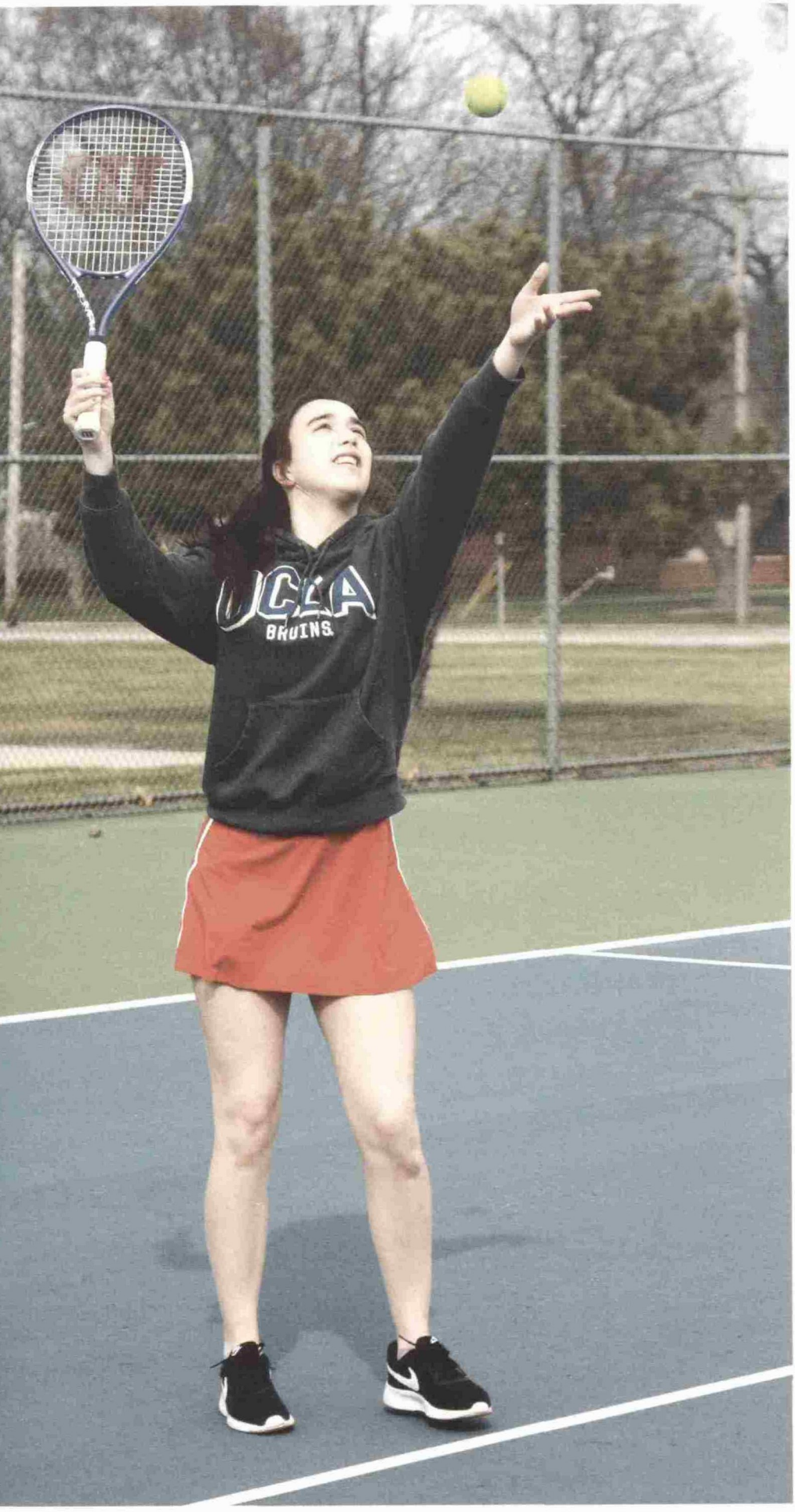
A Fun Distraction Playing during a doubles match, Natalia Salazar, senior, focuses on hitting the returning ball. No matter how good or bad her day was, she was able to forget about it and play. "The girls made it fun no matter what," Salazar said. Photo by Emily Mudroncik

They Smashed Cancer

Tennis players share why Smash Cancer mattered and what it means to them

"Smash Cancer meant a lot to me because my grandma passed away from cancer. I think it was important because it allowed other girls to **feel more connected to the people they've lost** to cancer."
—Adalyn Klawitter, freshman

"Playing Smash Cancer meant to me that I was **playing for a very good cause** and for very special people that meant a lot to me. I was happy to be able to participate."
—Dana Savarino, freshman



In Their Court

Despite rain, Girls' Tennis hosts their first Smash Cancer event with St. Joseph

Story by Abbey Burris

On May 12, Girls' Tennis participated in Smash Cancer with South Bend St. Joseph High School.

"Smash Cancer was when we honored all the people that have fought cancer or were currently fighting cancer," Captain Kelli Canul, senior, said. "It was a way for both schools to come together for a common goal even though we were trying to win."

Captain Natalia Salazar, senior, organized the event in honor of her dad who passed away from cancer.

"I had been trying to get this event together since I was a freshman," Salazar said. "We had kind of always had an idea but never actually put it to play."

Coach Patrick Spohr, gym teacher, was proud to demonstrate the team's abilities for a good cause. The team won the Smash Cancer event 3-2.

"The team was putting on this Smash Cancer event to help show that even though we were competing against one another, that we were all united together when it came to fighting cancer," Coach Spohr said. "We did this to help raise awareness of the disease and to help raise money to donate for cancer research."

The team sold shirts to raise money. Besides donations from the shirts, the team had a 50-50 raffle. The money went to a cancer research charity.

"It was nice to represent the people that were fighting or had fought cancer because I could play my best tennis for them," Canul said.

Getting the Job Done To help her focus on serving the ball, Alyse Lepir, junior, finds support and comfort through her teammates supportive words. Along with her verbal support, she would think to herself that she should have fun no matter what the outcome. The team won 16 of their matches and lost 1. "I love all the girls on my team. We are all so supportive of each other and know how to get the job done when we need to," Lepir said. Photo by Megan Szymanski

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Girls' Tennis

Final Countdown

Boys' Golf players attempt to make it to State after playing varsity for all four years of high school

Story by Micala Boyd

While the entirety of the varsity spots on Boys' Golf were saturated with seniors who had played since their freshman year, this season was the most competitive in all their career, according to Easan Venkat, senior.

"All five of us had played four years of varsity, so that was a big plus," Venkat, said. "We all had all that experience so this was our last year with a chance to make it to State."

The team kepts a competitive mindset.

"It was a lot more competition," Venkat, said. "Everyone was playing better and our outlook on the season like we were ranked higher than we ever have been **in our my** four years."

The golf season only lasted a short six to seven weeks, and the season's start was delayed by poor weather conditions.

"The rain wasn't the problem," Josh Novosel, senior, said. "It was the lightning. When the lightning came out we couldn't play or practice."

It cost the team several matches.

"It wasn't a long season so if you had two or three of those weeks where you were not practicing you were really losing a lot but then again everyone in the region was too, so were all in the same playing field," Venkat said.

During the varsity players four years they had only made it as far as Regionals.

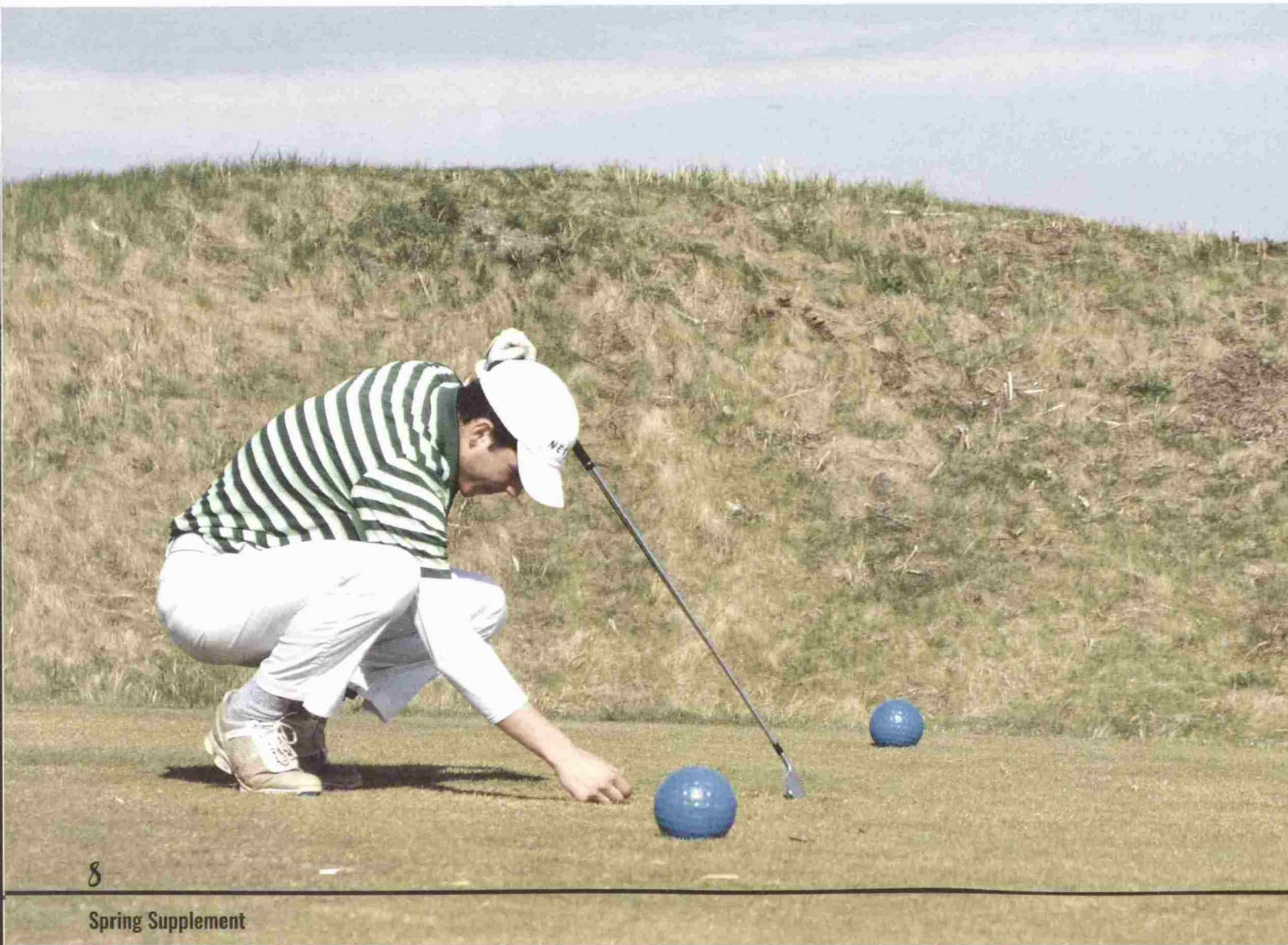
"It was definitely tough, but if we all played well I thought we had the best shot that we had ever had," Venkat said.

According to Merrick Lieser, senior, this season was the most competitive.

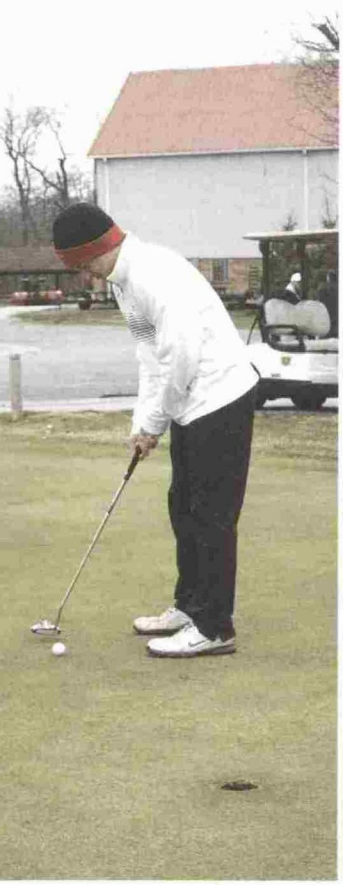
"There was a lot of good players, " Merrick said. "We had to take it one day at a time."

With State in mind, they worked harder.

"We all tried harder and pushed each other," Novosel, said. "It was cool be a part of it. I got to hang out with my friends and play golf. Our freshman year we were all just bad and have progressively gotten better and better. We were going to be good. If everyone did what they were supposed to do and continued to practice the way we had been it was going to be pretty good."



Steady Hands Teeing the ball up, Merrick Lieser, senior, was getting ready to take his shot. Merrick had been playing golf for eight years and had been on the high school team for all four years. "I loved playing golf because it tested my mental toughness " Lieser said. Photo by Victoria Reardon



Sinking The Put Concentrating on making it in the hole, Tony Daniels, senior, was at the scramble in Hobart. Tony was taking a few practice shots before the match. "I was feeling pretty confident about this invitational because we had won it the two years previous," Daniels said. Photo by Kess Vaitkus

Action Shot Practicing his putting before his match, Louis Dallecarbonare, senior, was feeling confident in his putting stroke. Louis' favorite part about golf was finishing a round and then talking with his team. "Being apart of a team was great for bonding and making friends." Dallecarbonare said. "Being on a team helped us work together and strive for greatness." Photo by Kess Vaitkus

Temp and the tee

Players explain the relationship between the temperature and their preformance

"In April it was cold and rainy, but now that it was May the weather started to clear up and we got some nicer conditions to golf in. It was harder to hit the ball when it was cold opposed to when it was warm outside. Now, that it was warming up, It made things a lot more enjoyable."

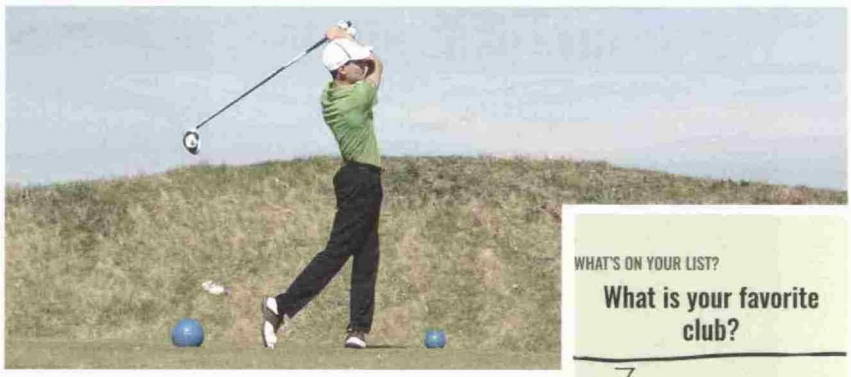
Merrick Lieser, senior

"I was wierd. I liked cold weather. I liked playing in the cold it was easier for me, but all my teammates liked the warm weather. They liked that it was getting warm out. I started hating it."

Josh Novosel, senior

Follow Through After hitting a ball, Josh Novosel, senior, holds his form. Josh played his entire litre, but had been competitively playing since middle school. "I liked being a part of this tea because it was fun being with a group of guys I have been with my entire life" Novosel said. **Chipping Away** After missing several matches from competing at DECA internationals in Atlanta, Easan Venkat, senior, practices chipping at Centennial Park. They hosted an invitational every Saturday; however, due to the rain many matches were rescheduled. "(Missing) definitely wasn't a good thing but I had recovered and practiced a lot." **Practice Makes Perfect** Taking a practice swing, Brink Wolak, freshman, was at Centennial Park for the first home tournament. This was Brink's first year on the golf team but he had been playing golf competitively for seven years. "I liked that you could never master golf, there was always something to improve at," Wolak said.

Photos by Kess Vaitkus and Victoria Reardon



The 2018 Masters Tournament was held April 5-8 in Augusta, Georgia—Boys' Golf watched, others were there

"I thought (Coach Bill) Smitka just wanted to watch the Masters. He gave us a break and told us go watch the Masters and get better from watching those guys." —Josh Novosel, senior

"(Coach Bill Smitka) cancelled practice one day because he said the weather didn't look that good, so we couldn't play outside. So instead of working out for that day we just went home and watched some golf."
—Easan Venkat, senior

"I was at the Masters. It was a once in a life time experience. It was unreal."
—Merrick Lieser, senior

WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

What is your favorite club?

- ☐ 7 iron — Brink Wolak, 9
- ☐ 2 Iron — Max Ladd, 9
- ☐ 56 Degree Wedge — Merrick Lieser, 12
- ☐ 5 Iron — John Stanko, 10
- ☐ 3 Hybrid — Luke Dragicevich, 11
- ☐ 5 Wood — Josh Novosel, 12

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WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

What's your favorite event to participate in?

- ☐ Discus — Yalissa Rubio, 10
- ☐ 4x800m — Olivia Foley, 12
- ☐ 100m — Moira Glowacki, 11
- ☐ Mile — Faith Eriks, 11
- ☐ 4x100m — Trinitee Hassan, 10
- ☐ 400m — Imani Brown, 10
- ☐ 200m — Clara Zuniga, 9
- ☐ 4x100m — Abby Nita, 12
- ☐ Shot put — Mollie Clark, 10
- ☐ 100m — Antonia Linnane, 10
- ☐ Mile — Katie Hemingway, 9
- ☐ 200m — Lola Fay Papanikolaou, 10
- ☐ Discus — Maddie Horin, 11

Undefeated Champs

Despite pessimistic predictions, Girls' Track reaches undefeated regular season victories

Story by Catie Gilhooly

The papers predicted they'd come in last place. But the girls decided to prove them wrong, winning all of their regular season meets as well as becoming Sectional and Conference Champions.

"Even though the articles about the team were negative, we didn't let it get in our heads," Faith Eriks, junior, said.

But it wasn't easy. In order to succeed, the coaches had to push the team hard.

"The coaches helped us motivate and train hard and gave us great workouts," Imani Brown, sophomore, said. "They've helped us to make sure we're there on time and giving it our all every single time."

While there was improvement, there were also some struggles. For Madison Lakomek, junior, the loss of last year's seniors was especially hard to adjust to.

"Two of my best friends that were on the team last year graduated, so it was a hard transition because the whole team dynamic changed," Lakomek said. "I really had to make new relationships with some of the other track girls and as a team we had to find girls who would fill empty senior spots."

No matter what, all of the girls learned how to work together as a team so they could perform their best at meets.

"This year, our team really had a better bond and a better relationship with each other," Brown said. "We encouraged, motivated each other and we were always there for each other."

The supportive team environment especially helped Eriks when she ran her best time in the mile, then just a few days later ran a new best time in her mile and 800 meter sprint all in the same night.

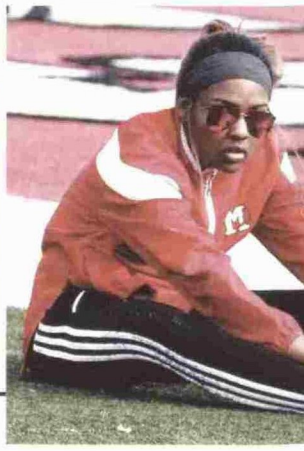
"It was really exciting because you never knew when it would happen," Eriks said. "My teammates were always there to support me whether we were running together or they were on the side of the track cheering."

Make a Run for It In the first 50 meters of their event, Nicole Baginski, sophomore, and Clara Zuniga, freshman, sprint the 100 meter dash at a Munster meet. Although originally a distance runner, Nicole made a comeback to track last year after a season off. Her new beginning led her to realize her growing talent at running short distances. "I was really proud of myself during this race," Nicole said, "My time was pretty good, probably my best from the season."
Photo by Lilia Brunetti

Warm-up Tunes

Before meets and practices, Maty Nelson, senior, listens to this playlist

Pump-up Playlist Hyping herself up before meets, Maty Nelson, senior, puts in her earbuds and presses play on the playlist above. Maty listened to these songs during meets before her field events, shot put and discus. Source: Maty Nelson



Pass It On In the four by eight relay, Brisa Bohling, junior, receives the baton from Anastasia Cipowski-Smith, junior. Bohling and her three teammates in this event encouraged one another to succeed. "In practice, we really pushed each other and motivated each other to do well," Bohling said. "If one of us was not having a good day, then there were three other girls that would be able to push you to do better." **Starting Off** Running the four by eight relay, Kaylee Galvan, senior, pushes through her leg of the race. The four by eight was the first race ran at meets, which is why Galvan loved it. "When we won this event, we took points from the other team really early on," Galvan said. "It was a really great kickstarter for the rest of the meet, to see how we could spread the excitement of our win to the rest of the girls running their events after us." **Stretching Out** Before her high jump event, Kennedy Clark, junior, warms up by stretching. Despite track and field being separate events, Kennedy admired the unity of the team. "I liked that everyone was a team, and we all got along great," Clark said. "It was just like a sisterhood." **Leading Lady** Starting off the four by eight race, Maria Blaesing, sophomore, pulls ahead from the pack at a Munster meet. Blaesing sometimes felt a lot of pressure being the first runner of four, but built confidence off of her teammates. "It helped to know that they were there at the end waiting to pass the baton to," Blaesing said.

Photos by HR Imaging

Strengthening a Sisterhood

During home meets, teammates spent their downtime socializing in between their events

Talk It Out Between events, Sophia Porter, sophomore, chats with freshmen Uyai-Abasi Edet and Kylie Reed. Porter joined the pole vault team because of support from her friends and fellow teammates. "I picked pole vault because the members influenced me to join and there weren't a lot of people in it, so I tried and ended up liking it," Porter said.

Photo by HR Imaging

Team Bonding During a windy meet, Audrey Stooksbury, junior, braids the hair of Alyssa Nahnsen, sophomore, to keep her hair out of her eyes. Braiding was a way for the girls to help each other out before their events. "It's something we did pretty often on the track team," Nahnsen said. "I really thought it just brought us closer together as teammates." Photo by HR Imaging

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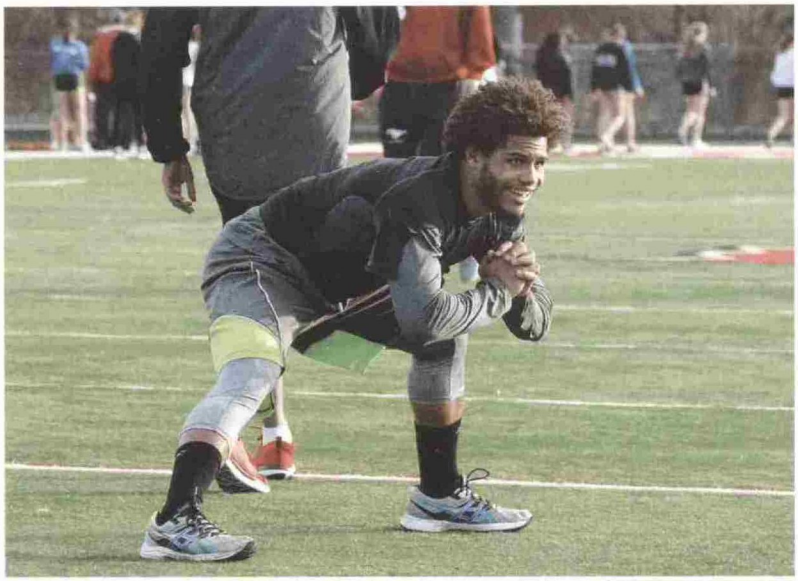
Team Mates

Relay runners discuss what it is like to run with their teams

"We have really **good chemistry.** We work really well together and with our positions and **everyone motivates everyone else.**"
- Adam Safi, 12

"With relays, **you have to get a feel for the other runners on your team** and work on exchanges at practice so everything goes smoothly during a meet. Whenever we are about to race, we always try to have a **positive mind-set** regardless of our competition."
- Khavand Peddi, 12



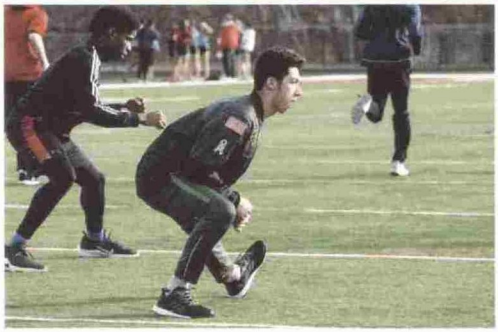
Ready to Run Setting up blocks for his race, Joey Marcus, freshman, listens for the shoot off for the race to begin. His goal was to eventually break his own personal record and go to state. "I ran the 4x100 and I was trying to beat my brother's record," Marcus said. **Stretching Out** Stretching his legs, AJ Zachary, senior, warms up for practice. The track team practiced every day after school despite the unusually cold temps at the beginning of the season. "Being a captain was a nice title but it was a weight on your shoulders," Zachary said. "A lot of your teammates would look up to you, especially for big competitions against places like Hobart and LC." **Over the Line** Suspending himself in the air, Nick Ylo, junior, uses his body and the pole to clear the bar. He placed first in the pole vault at the JV conference meet. "I've been in track for three years now," Ylo said. "I really enjoyed the people, the workouts, and pole vaulting itself was fun too."

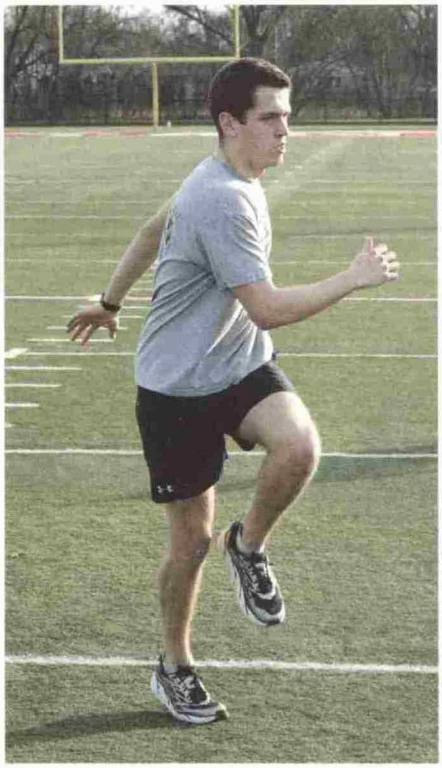
Photos by Chloe Lambert, Kess Vaitkus, Lilia Brunetti

WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

What's your favorite event to run?

- ☐ 3200m — Tony Bahling, 11
- ☐ 3200m — Nick Szala, 12
- ☐ 4x100m — Khavand Peddi, 12
- ☐ 1600m — Will McComis, 11
- ☐ 100m — Amir Henderson, 10
- ☐ 200m — Sam Lash, 10
- ☐ 4x100m — Leo Tsirtsis, 9
- ☐ 100m — Richard Ma, 9
- ☐ 200m — Christopher Smith, 10
- ☐ 100m — Jaden Warner, 11
- ☐ 4x400m — AJ Zachary, 12





One Step Stretching with Afam Oniah, freshman, Luke Southwell, junior, makes sure he is loose for the form drills following. The stretches the team did together warmed him up for both running and pole vault. "My main event was pole vault even though I was afraid of heights," Southwell said. "It was a thrill and gave you good adrenaline rush." Photo by Kess Vaitkus

Twistin' and Turnin' During a practice, Will McComis, junior, performs dynamic stretches on the football field. Track was first meant to get into shape, but he utilized his time on the track to socialize with his friends. "When you were running around town for hours, there was a lot of time to talk and socialize with your friends," McComis said. Photo by Kess Vaitkus

Chasing Records

Boys' Track pushes to break personal and school records despite slow start to season

Story by Kammy Moore

April was filled with un-welcomed snow and cold temperatures, resulting in the cancellation of two meets in the beginning of the season.

"The season had been a bit of a struggle," Captain Josh Hoogewerf, senior, said. "The first few meets were pushed back due to weather and rescheduled for times that weren't very favorable. We had track meets one after another with only one day's rest."

Though frustrated, the extra practice time may have helped.

"At first we really wanted to compete in the sense that we wanted to show off our skills," Captain AJ Zachary, senior, said. "But it gave us a chance to keep honing them and work harder, so when the meet finally came around we could do the best we could've."

With an influx of younger teammates the captains worked hard to help their team grow, both in track and as an athlete.

"We've had a lot more rookies this year," Zachary said. "We've had some losses, but I think those helped out with the rookies a lot. It taught them that victory doesn't come easy, we have to work hard for it and come to practice. It gave the veterans the ability to coach them more and help them understand what it's like to be a true athlete."

As usual, members of track strived to set their personal records higher and higher.

"One of my good friends from last year (Matt Marcus, '17) made the school record for the 400, so this year I've been motivating myself to break or at least tie his record," Zachary said. "My main goal this year was to carry his torch for that 400. We can inspire other athletes to be like 'If I had a good role model here, I'm going to try to be as good as a role model as I can be for others.'"

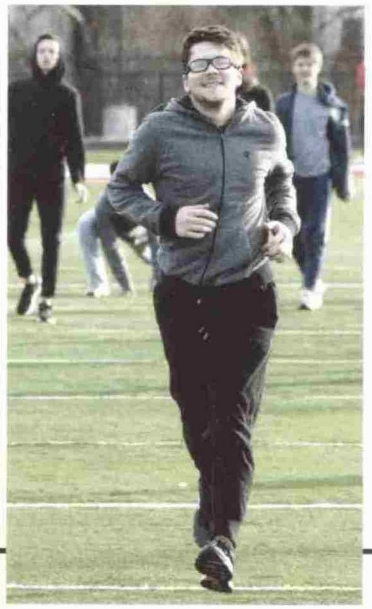
At their conference meet Jaden Warner, junior, tied the school record of 10.98 seconds for the 100-meter-dash.

"I probably could've broken it but I stumbled," Warner said. "I had been bouncing around at times like 11.3 or 11.4 (seconds) and then I ran 10.98 and now I've just been trying to work hard to make it to state."

"That was a very huge moment because we had been making and breaking records for nine consecutive years," Zachary said. For (Warner) to do that shows that if you put in the work than you can do it too."

Warner was the only one to go to state, where he placed tenth with a time of 11.04.

Don't Trip Running his warm up, Nick Dorai, junior, works out on the football field before practice. On workout days, the team did a 20 minute warm up and cool down with their regular workout routine. "The training we did was harder than the races," Dorai said. "By the time we got into the races, we were used to the pain." Photo by Kess Vaitkus



Finish Line Warming up during practice, Josh Hoogewerf, senior, jogs on the football field. He used this time to focus on the practice ahead. "I did track to stay fit and on top of that, I enjoyed it," Hoogewerf said. "It was fun to keep on improving every single year and seeing all that work you put in pay off." Photo by Kess Vaitkus

Personal Progress

Members of the track team set new personal records

Teammate	Event	Personal Record
Colin Gaither, 12	4x400 200	53.9 split 24.3 seconds
Afam Oniah, 9	long jump	19.9 ft
Jaden Warner, 11	100	10.98 seconds

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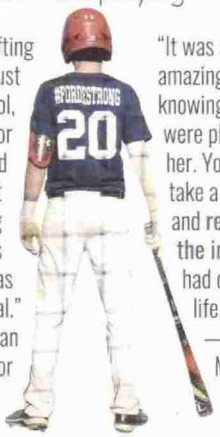
#fordestrong

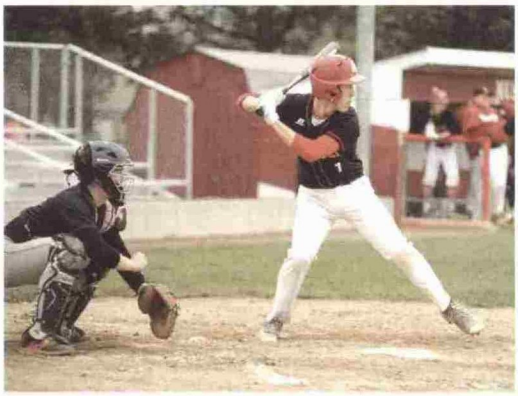
Members of the baseball team share the impact that #fordestrong had on their attitude while playing

"It was uplifting playing not just for our school, not just for ourselves and our town, but **something that was bigger** was really special." —Ryan Thometz, senior



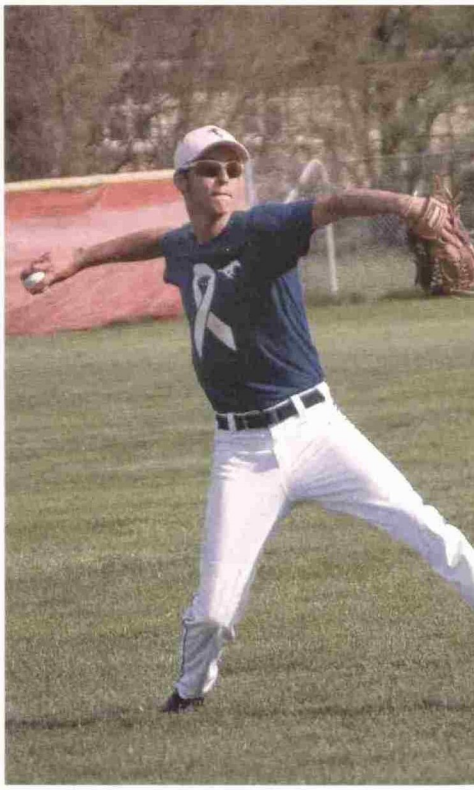
"It was an amazing feeling knowing that you were playing for her. You had to take a step back and **remember the impact** she had on your life." —Garrett Manous, junior

On Deck Next to bat against Crown Point, Cade Howard, junior, looks to the pitcher to try and "time-up" the pitch with his swing. "The purpose of (the game) was to tell our shortstop that we got his back," Howard said. "He was like family to us." Photo by Sydney Pastor



Swinging for the Fence Eye on the baseball, Josh Dragicevich, senior, takes a step forward as he bats. The camaraderie of the team was his favorite part of the game. "When I played baseball, it was a break from everything," Dragicevich said. "I was just in another zone." Photo by Kess Vaitkus

Wind Up Although tired from prom the night before, Anthony Ruffalo, senior, throws a baseball from the outfield to third base. The team came close to beating Highland with a score of 7-12. "It was really cool that we could show our support for Jimmy and his family and wear jerseys that represented his mom," Ruffalo said. Photo by HR Imaging



Playing a Whole New Game

The Baseball team honors and remembers those that struggle with cancer by playing #fordestrong games

Story by Abbey Burris

The baseball team held four #fordestrong games during their season in honor of Mrs. Diane Forde, Captain James Forde's, senior, mom that passed away from Hodgkin's Lymphoma in Nov. of 2015. To show their support, the team sported purple jerseys with #fordestrong across the back and pink breast cancer hats to show their support.

"It was no question," Captain Ryan Thometz, senior, said. "The captains knew we wanted to do purple for Jimmy's mom and that we wanted it to represent #fordestrong."

Forde was surprised by the swiftness of the team's decision.

"I was speechless when the whole team immediately had decided purple," Forde said. "It was like they already knew before he (Coach Robert Shinkan, math teacher) even asked what color. It meant a lot to me, my sister, and my dad to see everyone having jerseys that represented our family and what we had gone through," Forde said.

They competed against Crown Point, Lowell, and Highland wearing the shirts, feeling proud to represent those that struggled or had struggled with cancer.

"We all liked seeing the symbol and the #fordestrong on our backs and not really having Munster on our front but having a cancer logo that represented something that was bigger than all of us," Thometz said. "We all wanted to help our part in trying to find a cure for cancer."

Although the team lost all the #fordestrong games, they knew they were playing for something bigger.

"Everyone knew who we were playing for," Garrett Manous, junior, said. "It was not so much about baseball as about who you were representing and playing for."

Coach Shinkan shared the pride he felt for his team during those games.

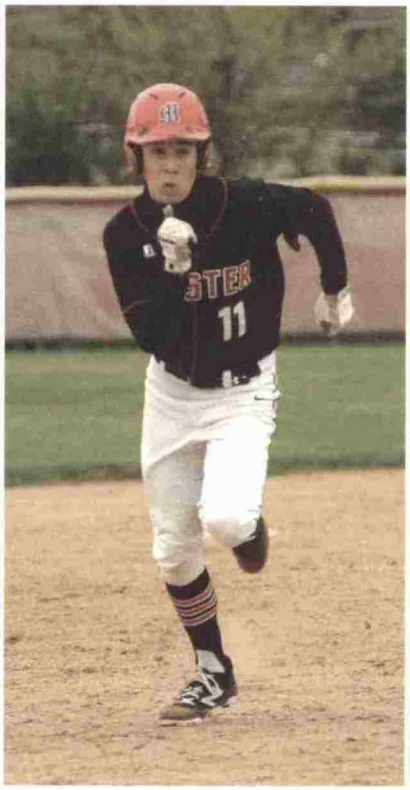
"You knew it was a special game when you were out there wearing the hat and the shirt," Shinkan said. "Everybody knew that it was just a special atmosphere out there. I was proud of my team for taking that in."

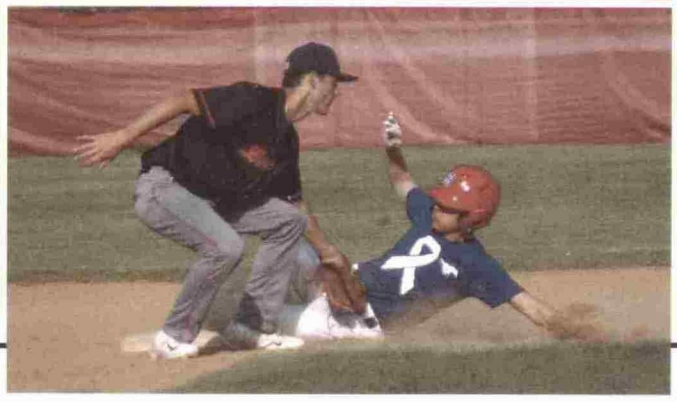
Here's the Pitch Pitching against Illiana Christian, Jacob Anderson, senior, throws a consistent game. He pitched five innings, with nine strikeouts and only let two runs through. "This was one of the games we won after a losing streak, so everyone was just hyped and excited for Sectionals," Anderson said. Photo by Kess Vaitkus

WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

What team are you most competitive against?

- ☐ Highland — Anthony Ruffalo, 12
- ☐ Crown Point — Michael Schassburger, 11
- ☐ Andrean — Matt Tripenfeldas, 11
- ☐ Highland — Xavier Unzueta, 12
- ☐ Lake Central — Costa Sirounis, 10
- ☐ Crown Point — Ronan Meyer, 10
- ☐ Highland — Jacob Anderson, 12
- ☐ Lake Central — Cade Howard, 11
- ☐ Andrean — Josh Batur, 10
- ☐ Highland — Will Melby, 10
- ☐ Crown Point — Derrick Wiening, 9
- ☐ Lake Central — Evan Wittkamp, 9
- ☐ Highland — Cristiaan Aguilar, 10
- ☐ Lake Central — James Forde, 12





Running Through Third Quickly, Carson Ramirez, senior, runs past third base to home base. The team needed this point to even the score against Lowell but they lost 3-6. **Hey Batter, Batter** Eyes on the pitcher, Nikola Hamilton, junior, prepares to bat. The team ended the season with a record of 7 wins and 11 losses. **Close Call** Barely missing the tag from his opponents, Cade Howard, junior, slides in safe for the play. Throughout the #fordestrong game, the players gave it their all because they knew the game was for a very important person. "You failed about seventy percent of the time," Howard said. "I liked the challenge." Photos by Kess Vaitkus, Sydney Pastor, and HR Imaging

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Dugout Digs

Test your knowledge of the varsity seniors and coaches with this quiz

1) Which coach always brings donuts to Saturday practice?

2) Which senior always wears purple Crocs with Disney jibbitz?

3) Which senior is possessive over her four-pound box of goldfish?

4) Which senior always has holes in her socks?

5) Which senior brings a full closet of clothes with her to practice?

a) Sara Mavity

b) Becky Radtke

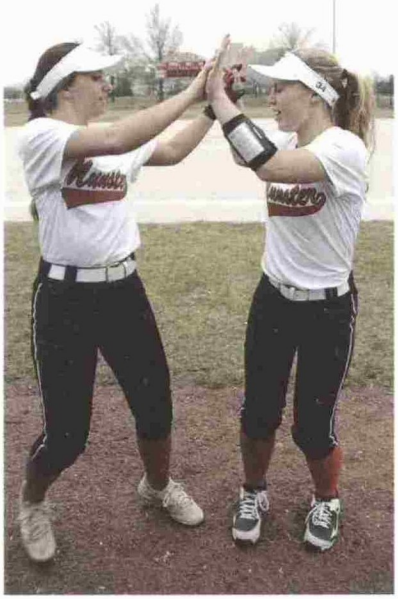
c) Sarah Johnson

d) Amy Kaniewski

e) Coach Dan Sims

answers: 1) e. 2) a. 3) c. 4) b. 5) d.

Sources: Sara Mavity and Sarah Johnson, seniors



Shake It Out Before a game, Maddy Foreit, junior, and Sarah Johnson, senior, perform a handshake. It was a tradition for each player to have their own handshake. "I was not really superstitious like a lot of baseball players are, but I thought the handshake really bonded us together and it created a sense of happiness and excitement during games," Johnson said. Photo by Elizabeth Fonseca

Pitch Perfect Before a game against Gary West Side, Meli Chioros, sophomore, and Ariel Gallardo, freshman, practice their pitching and catching techniques. Chioros loved being a part of the softball team because it was like a family and gave her a chance to improve her skills. "The best part of softball was having a family for the season and seeing how the season went," Chioros said. Photo by Chloe Lambert

Take A Knee Giving an injured player time to recover during a home game against Lowell, the rest of the team takes a knee on field. According to Maddy Foreit, junior, the team worked together well this season. "All the girls were good teammates," Foreit said. "It was really nice knowing that everyone had each others' back and if you mad a mistake someone else was going to pick you up." Photo by Elizabeth Fonseca

Hitting Hands Being announced onto the softball field before their game against Lowell, Hailey Sullivan, freshman, high fives her teammates. This was one of the softball team's pre-game rituals that helped their game play and showed school spirit. "We make a lot of handshakes throughout the season and it makes us bond more and just gets us pumped up for the game" Sullivan said. Photo by Elizabeth Fonseca

WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

What is your favorite drill?

- ☐ Around the horn — Maddy Foreit, 11
- ☐ Four Corners — Samantha Sellers, 9
- ☐ Waterfall — Becky Radtke, 12
- ☐ Cutoff Drill — Alexis Lindenmayer, 10
- ☐ Four Corners — Olivia Candelaria, 9

All For One

With a younger starting line-up, teammates work together to achieve a 15-9 record Story by Catie Gilhooly

With only four starting seniors on softball, there was much work to be done for the varsity players.

"Usually we have three or four freshmen that are starting in games just because we don't really have that many upperclassmen," Sara Mavity, senior, said. "The younger kids were also great players who worked hard, but they didn't have the same experience that the seniors and juniors did."

To adjust to this difference in experience on a high school level team, the focus in practice and games shifted from individual players and their own talents to the team as a whole.

"We were trying to do everything we could every day in practice and games to teach the younger kids to get them to where they had to be to play more confidently and at a faster pace than what they were used to," Coach Beth Raspopovich said.

The players themselves had to also make changes on the field as they adapted to this new style.

"It was really difficult to get good at one position when we were being moved around," Sarah Johnson, senior, said. "We had to be really good at multiple positions, whereas in the past we only had one."

But no matter what challenges they faced, the team knew how to enjoy playing while playing well.

"We would like to crack a jokes and try to keep things light," Coach Raspopovich said. "But when it was time to work hard, we knew we were going to get after it, be intense, but also know that we had to enjoy the game and really have a good time."

Win or Lose During a conference game against Lowell, Sara Mavity, senior, slides into third base. The team experienced a 7-2 loss against Lowell that brought them closer as not only a team, but as a family. "Everyone was upset, especially because it was a conference game, but being there to support my friends and cheer them on was really nice," Mavity said. Photo by Elizabeth Fonseca

Playing On

Three girls commit to playing softball in college and onwards

Dayton Elliott, junior

Northern Illinois University - DeKalb, IL

"I knew right when I stepped on the field when I was little that **I wanted to play softball for as long as I could.**"

Becky Radtke, senior

University of Wisconsin - Green Bay, WI

"I wanted to continue playing the game at a higher level, and **possibly coach kids in my spare time** later in life."

Amy Kaniewski, senior

University of Indianapolis - Indianapolis, IN

"I just hoped to become the **best athlete that I can** and hopefully become a well-known player in the sport."

Going for the Gold

Winter Percussion wins first in their class at state finals

Who: Winter Percussion

Winter Percussion was an ensemble of all percussion instruments that performs a show written by their director.

What: Won Gold

Percussion came first in Scholastic Concert Open class their third year as a group with their show "Night of Moon Dances."

When: April 7

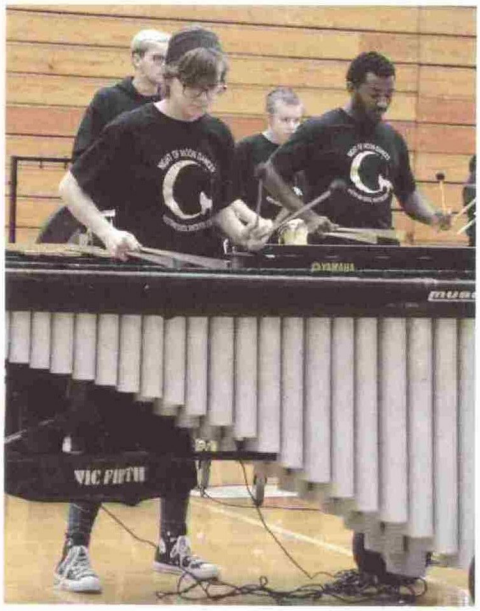
The season took place between marching and concert season for the band, typically from December to early April.

Where: Terre Haute, IN

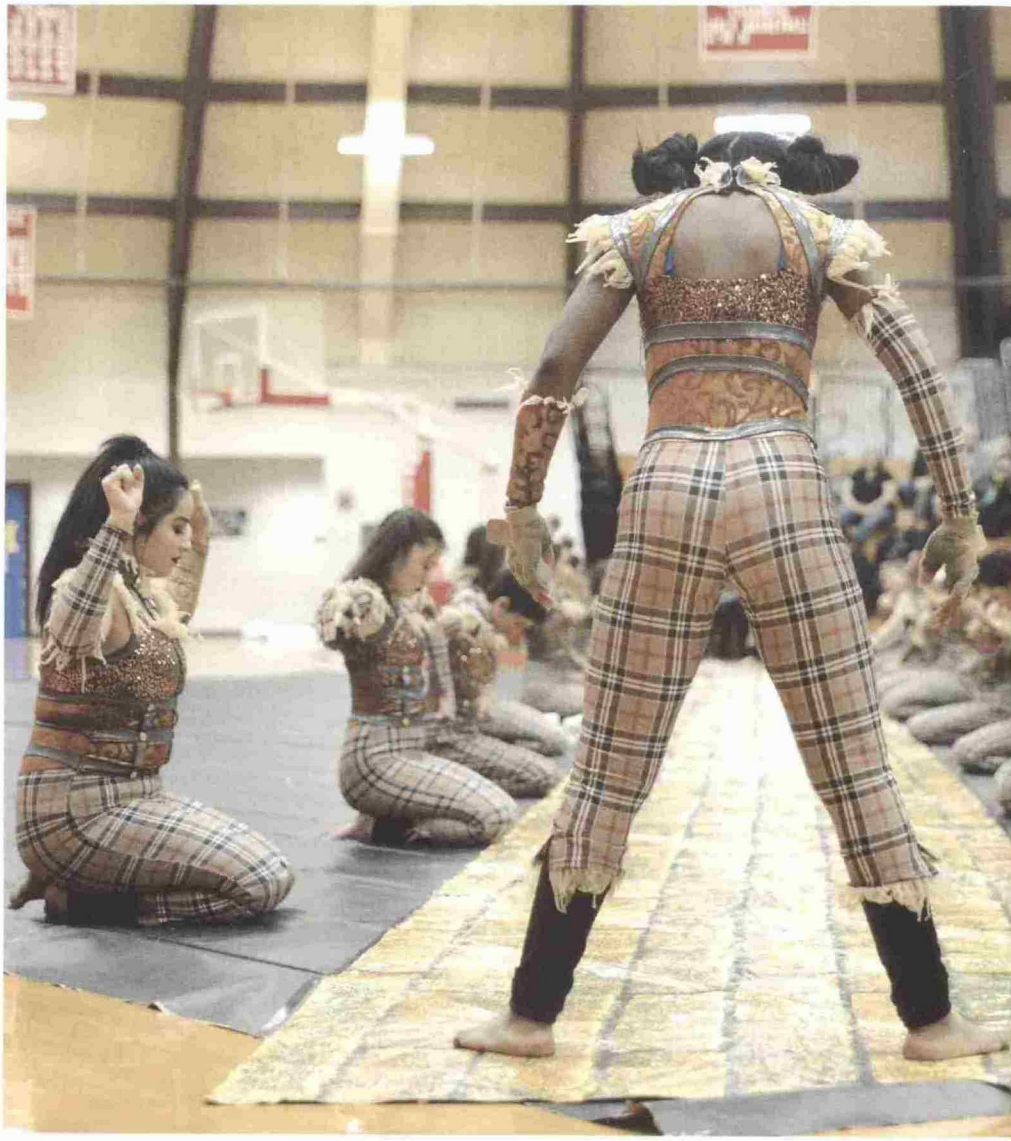
Competitions for the Indiana Percussion Association usually required long bus rides to southern Indiana.

Why: "Competitions were when all the emotion went into it and you saw the accumulation of all the work you had done over the past three months. You did it not just for yourself, but for the people around you."

Source: Jack Foster

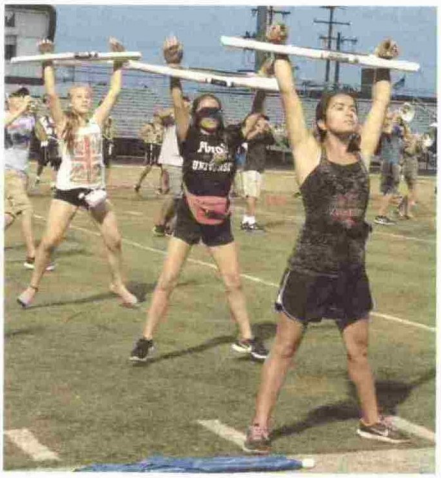


Focus In Focusing on their instruments, Milena Trivunovic, sophomore, and Javaughn Richards, junior, perform their Winter Percussion show. The ensemble performed for their parents the Thursday before finals along with the guard. "My favorite part was performing because I had never done anything that made me feel the way performing does," Milena said. "It was a really unique feeling getting to perform with your friends in front of large crowds and it made your hands hurting really worth it."
Photo by Elizabeth Fonseca



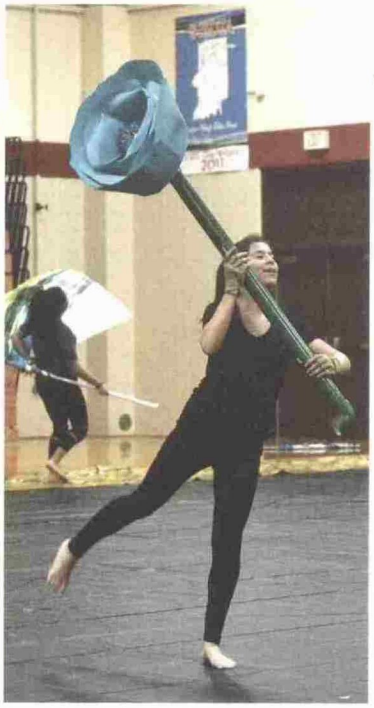
Fall Throwback

During the fall, the guard performs with the band for marching season



Rifle Line During rehearsal, Claire Powell, sophomore, and juniors Arianne Sadural and Monica Herrera practice their rifle work. "I liked the fall better because there were so many more people to share the experience with," Claire said.
Photo by Nicole Roberts

Half Time Looking up at the crowd, Arianne Sadural, junior, performs with the Marching Band. They would perform during halftime at home football games. "I felt like while performing you really got to express yourself through that, and I enjoyed that," Arianne said.
Photo by Kess Vaitkus



Show Silks Silks used in both the fall and winter shows. Photo by Elizabeth Fonseca

Flower Girl During rehearsal, Priscilla Gallardo, freshmen, holds her flower prop. She and the rest of the guard endured many three hour rehearsals after school to make everything perfect. "It was the happy part of the show," Priscilla said. "It was saying that everything was going to be okay." Photo by Taylor Homans

Deep Breath Waiting for the music to start, Erianna Sims, sophomore, stands in her starting pose. The guard performed for their parents the Thursday before finals. "It was a powerful moment because you knew you were about to awaken something that was going to be amazing for the audience," Erianna said. Photo by Elizabeth Fonseca

WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

Describe the season in one word.

- ☐ bittersweet — Erianna Sims, 10
- ☐ Bet — Claire Powell, 10
- ☐ B(r)et — Maria Barron, 9
- ☐ Bruise-y — Monica Herrera, 11
- ☐ WWDD — Isabel Rodriguez, 9
- ☐ Kneepads — Chynna Vaughn, 11
- ☐ Hello? — Anna Carrillo, 10

Return of the Scarecrow

Winter Guard gets bumped a class in the Midwest Color Guard Circuit after a season of hard work

Story by Kammy Moore

Recycling the concept from the marching band show in the fall, the guard's show, "We're Not in Kansas Anymore," took inspiration from "The Wizard of Oz" and the Chipotle commercial, "The Scarecrow." The guard performed their show acting as scarecrows bringing back nature to an industrialized world.

"The show started with the scarecrow and the environment is robotic and industrialized," Monica Herrera, junior, said. "It moved into chaos and after that there was finally peace with rainbows and sunshine."

Their show was different in many ways, making them stand out from other guards. While many other teams have similar shows, the guard was used to having eclectic, unusual elements in theirs.

"A lot of the shows were basically the same," Chynna Vaughn, junior, said. "They were all flowy and pretty and we were kind of creepy and robotic. The judges like that because we were different from everyone else which gave us an advantage."

After a season of anticipation, the guard was bumped up to the next class, meaning they were ready for harder competition and higher skill levels.

"Getting bumped up was very exciting because I had waited three seasons to get bumped," Monica said. "It was very exciting to know we were on a different level now."

The news was exciting and unexpected to most of the guard.

"Everyone was surprised because we thought we had a bad run and we didn't know what was going on," Chynna said. "It was very surreal, but I was very happy."

Besides getting bumped, the guard's season was successful in other ways.

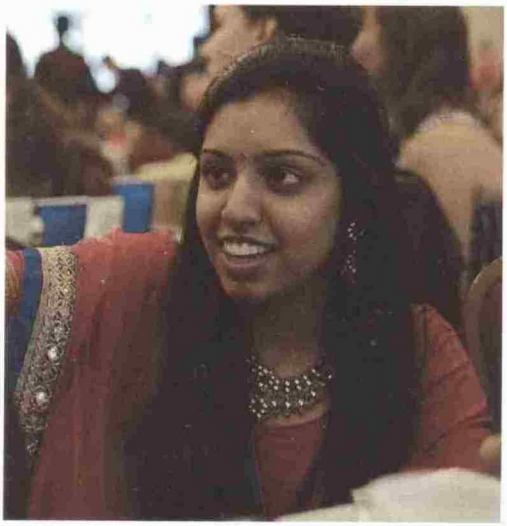
"This season was different because the level of skill was higher than ever before," Monica said. "We had higher standards and had to work a lot harder to meet them."

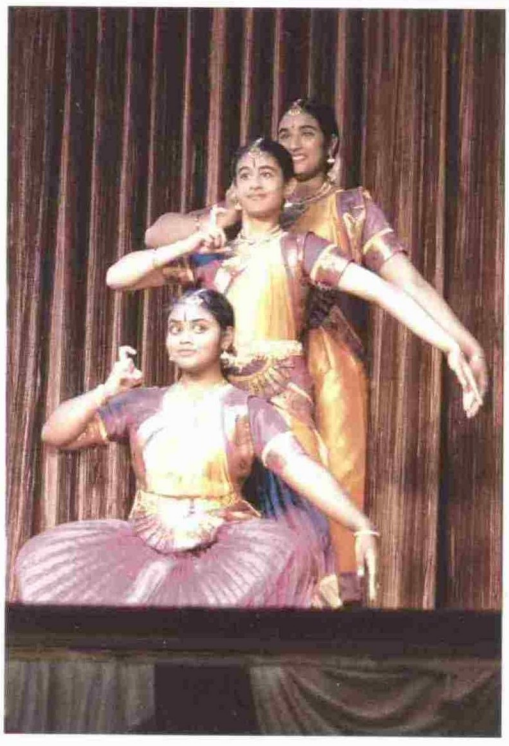
Catching Strong Breathing hard, Prisilla Ortiz, freshmen, and Claire Powell, sophomore, look up at the audience. They had just completed a rifle toss during their performance. "It was a very intense moment," Prisilla said. "Everyone stopped and just took a breath, then we kept going." Photo by Kess Vaitkus

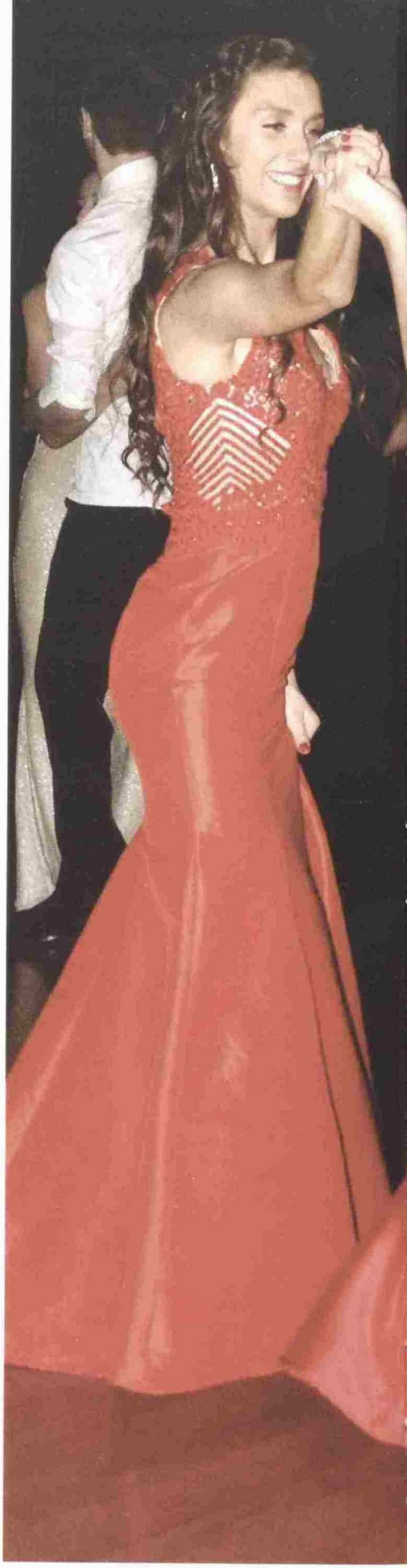
WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

What song would you want played at a dance?

- ☐ "Come on Eileen" by Dexy's Midnight Runners — Lydia Smith, 11
- ☐ "Enchame la curpa" by Demi Lovato — Leslie Gonzalez, 9
- ☐ "Unstoppable" by Neffex — Will Gropenthien, 11
- ☐ "Drip Offset" by Rich Flair — Tyler Groen, 9
- ☐ "God's Plan" by Drake — Riley Harris, 10
- ☐ "Twist and Shout" by The Beatles — Ian Horn, 9







The Dancing QUEEN

HUM elects a new president for the coming year on May 12

Story by Abbey Burris

At HUM, Anu Arora, junior, was elected president for the 2018-2019 year.

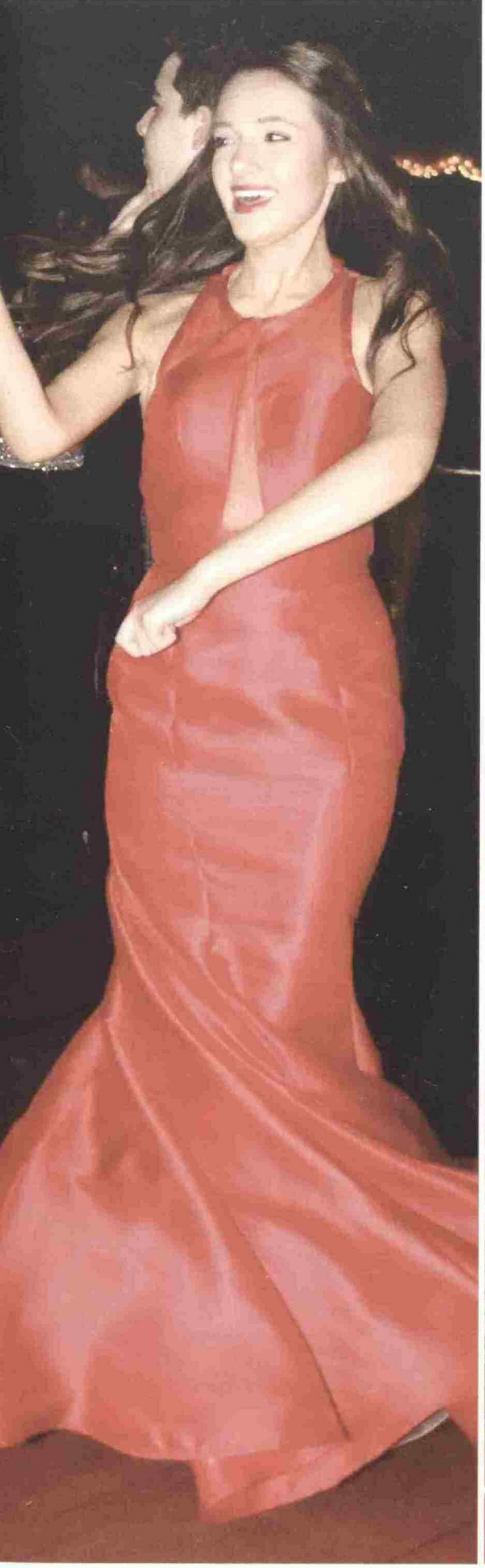
"It was really exciting," Anu said. "It was a huge honor and I was glad my hard work over the last few years paid off."

Former president, Anusuya Bandyopadhyay, senior, was proud to present the title.

"I knew I made the right decision," Anusuya said. "She was very hardworking and enjoyed taking part in HUM events so I knew she would do a great job next year."

Hopeful about her year as president, Anu said, "I hoped to effectively lead HUM to achieve bigger and better results than I could on my own."

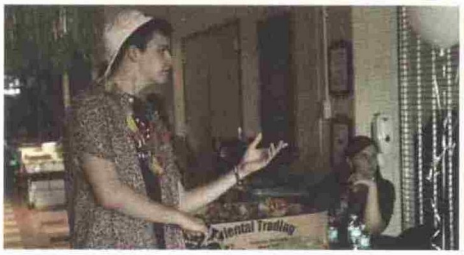
Center Stage At the end of their performance, Shivani Collur, Ananya Sharma, Shriya Iyer, Cynthia Chockalingam, Srishti Sarkar, freshmen, and Ami Shah, sophomore, pose for photos. **Shared Culture** Placing a bindi, Anu Arora, junior, smiles during HUM. HUM was a night of Indian culture appreciation that featured homemade dishes and traditional dances. The word means "us" or "united" in Hindi. "I liked the sense of community in HUM," Anu said. "We all had similar culture, and we were able to connect well because of that." **Spotlight** Performing a traditional dance to start the night, Cynthia Chockalingam, sophomore, poses on stage with Anushka Majety, WWMS eighth grader, and Mallika Keralavarma, WWMS sixth grader, before it begins. She traveled to Chicago weekly to practice with an award-winning instructor. "(HUM) was a time that I could spread my culture with my friends," Cynthia said. Photos by Lilia Brunetti

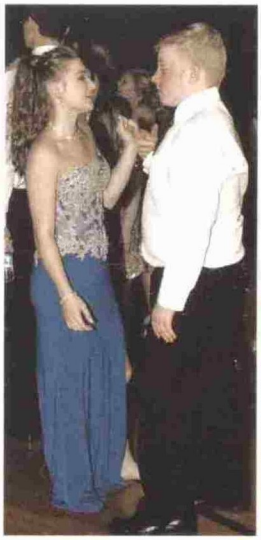


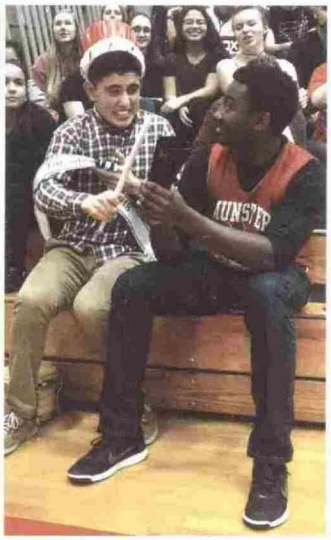
Senior Banquet

Seniors celebrate their four years together one last time before graduation on May 11

DJ in the House Headphones on, Dominick Reda, sophomore, makes sure that the crowd has a good time out on the dance floor. "I liked when I put a song on and the crowd went crazy for it," Dominick said. **Beach Fun** At the front table, Connor Meyer, senior, hands out leis to seniors as they walk in to match the theme of luau. "I just liked how it was a last time for all the senior class to get together and have a good time and get some free food," Connor said. **Picture Perfect** Seniors Allison Demeter, Sam Springsteen and Cody Kranc pose in the photo booth. While many seniors planned to spend time together the summer after the banquet, it still had a final goodbye feeling. "I felt sad because being at senior banquet meant senior year was over," Cody said. Photos by Sydney Pastor

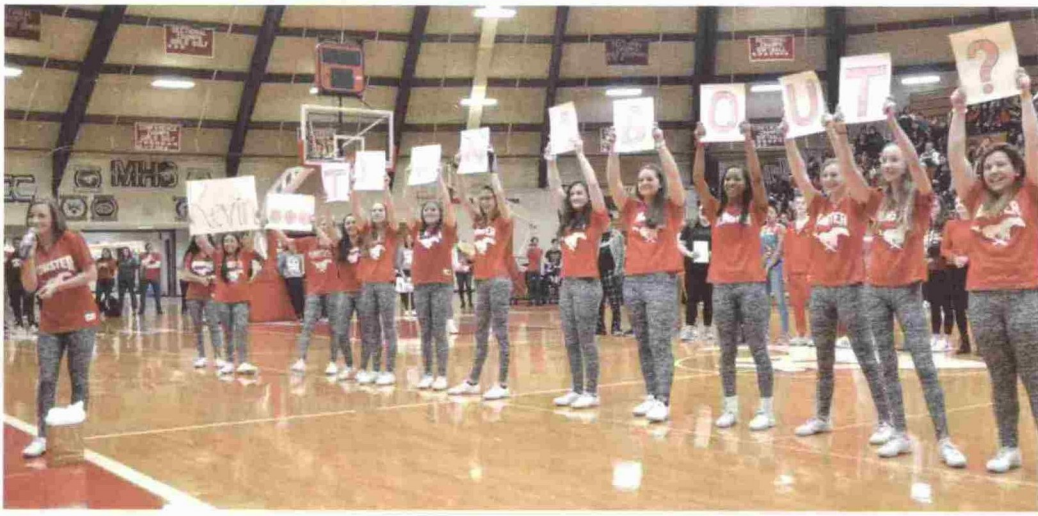






Turns at Turnabout Dancing, Sophia Porter and Gina Vellutini, sophomores, twirl and show off their dresses. "There were different experiences and moods," Sophia said. "Some people were sitting down and some were going crazy." **Inseparable** Having fun at Turnabout on Feb. 17, Ava Cundiff and Presley Simpson, sophomores, laugh while dancing. "Since freshman orientation we were dating, and it has only gotten better with time," Presley said. **Crowned King** Turnabout King Luciano Medina, senior, hits a cowbell that Javaughn Richards, junior, held for him at the pep session. "I was excited that he won and couldn't have been happier for him," Javaughn said. **Final Ask** With the help of the cheer team, Thalia Chioros, senior, asks Khavand Peddi, senior, to Turnabout. "I was super excited that I had finally asked him because I knew I wanted it to be special for the last dance," Thalia said.

Photos by HR Imaging and Elizabeth Fonseca



Finding the FUNDS

Student creates GoFundMe to help fund his senior Prom

Story by Kammy Moore

Prom was expensive. Hundreds of dollars were spent between tuxes or dresses, accessories, tickets, flowers, and plans for after. For some students, the cost has been an issue.

"I started the GoFundMe because I needed the extra money," Ryan Sonnenberg, senior, said. "The goal for the GoFundMe was basically to get everything paid for because we were undergoing extreme renovations at my house, and my mom had already told me she wasn't going to give me any money."

Ryan had to get creative to make money in order to cover his prom expenses.

"I got the idea in study hall," Ryan said. "One of my peers was talking about it."

The peer was Noah Montoya, senior, who came up with the idea for Ryan.

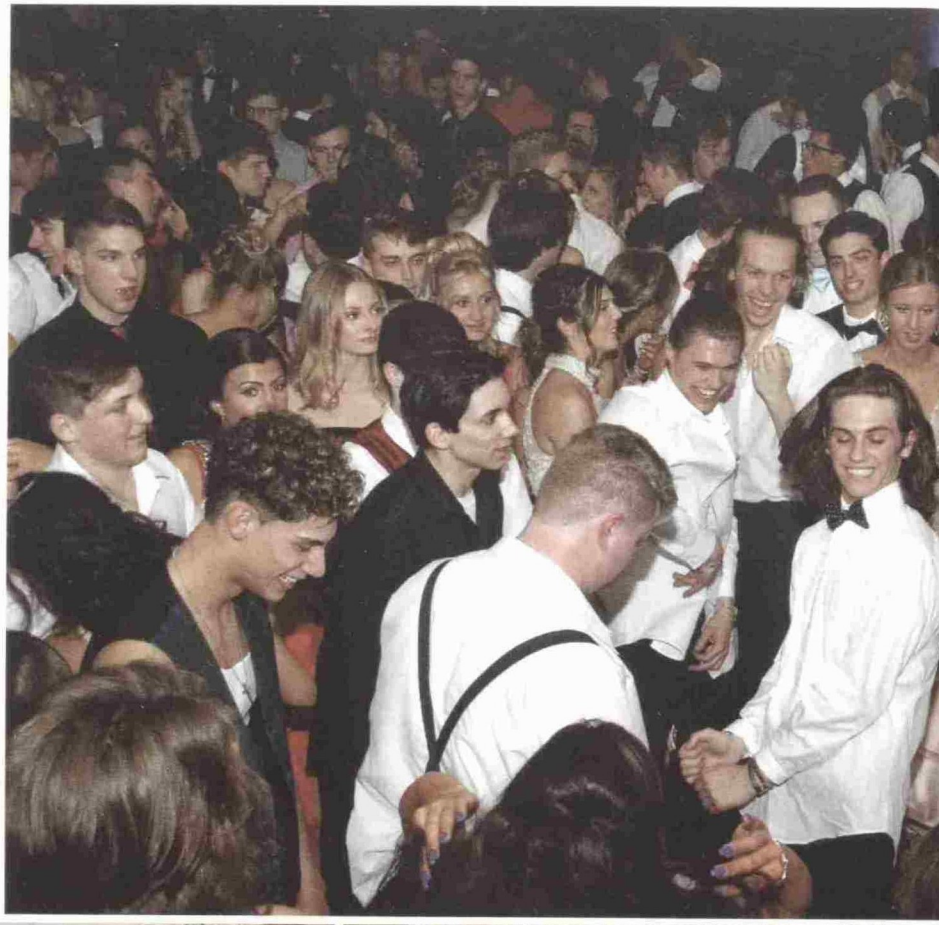
"I was playing tetris in class and I saw an ad on the side," Noah said. "So I went up to Ryan and was like, 'Hey, you should actually do that.'"

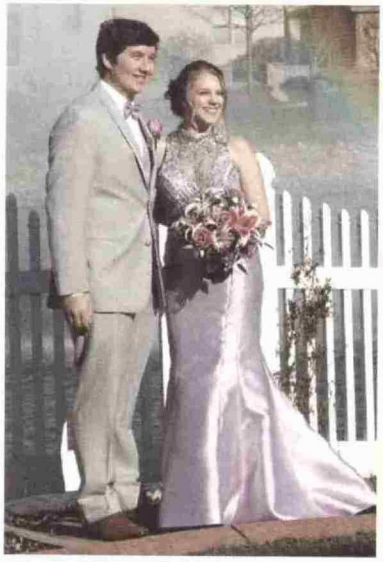
Ryan raised $146 of his $200 goal.

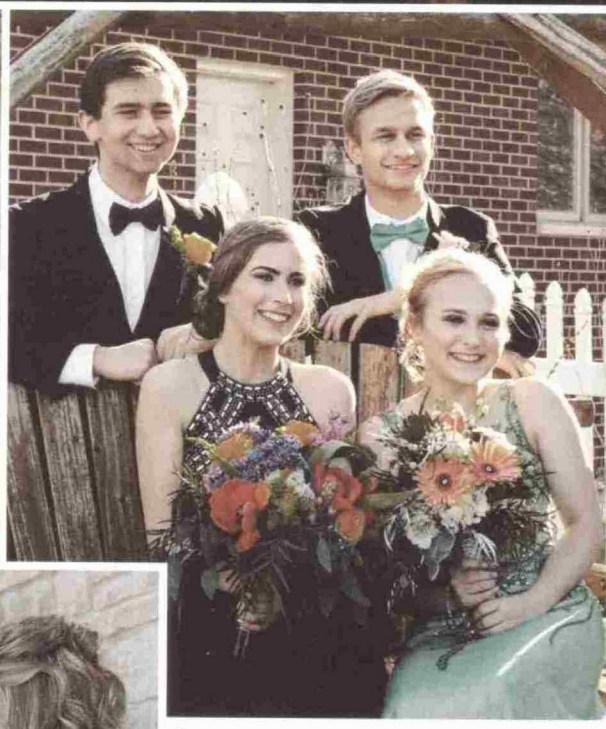
"Everything did end up working out in the end, and I did end up getting a little bit of money from the GoFundMe," Ryan said. "My friends supported it a lot. My best friend's sister was the one who set everything up for me."

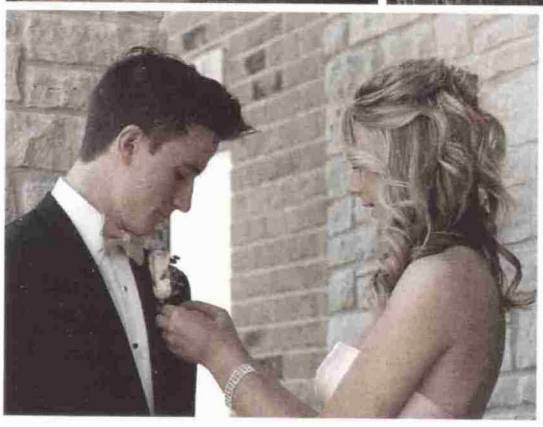
Senior prom was typically a big event for the senior class, and it was no different for Ryan, who was nominated for prom court.

"Prom was important to me just because it was my senior year," Ryan said. "It was going to be really fun and we were going to a beach house after. It was also very important because you were going to remember that day for the rest of your life."





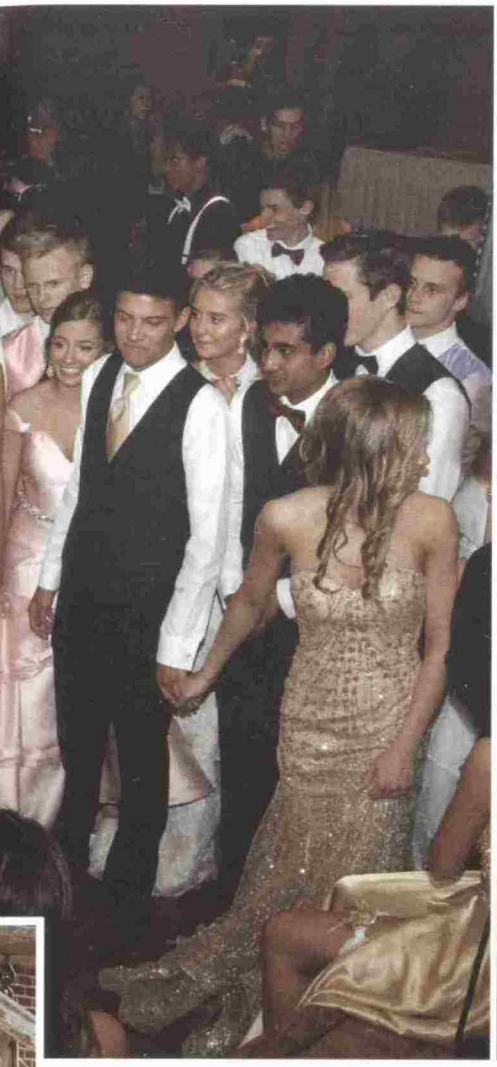




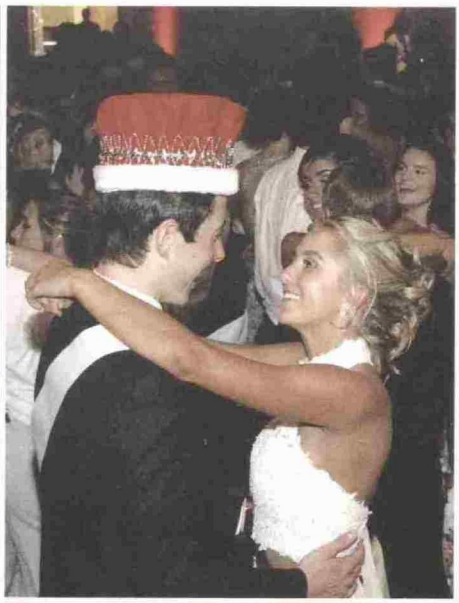
Over the Rainbow Posing for a picture, Joey McCraw, junior, and Kelli Little, junior, stand in front of a pond. The two took many pictures before the dance. "My favorite part was dancing with my date and group," Kelli said. Photo submitted by Kelli Little

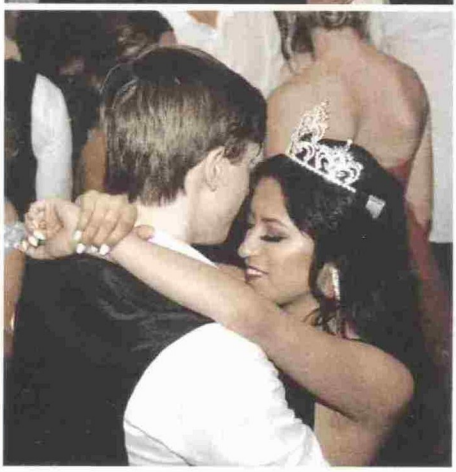
Finishing Touches To finish getting ready, Anastasia Cipowski-Smith, junior, pins a boutineer on her date, Alec Spicer, senior. She got ready with all her friends before pictures. "The best part about getting ready was not having to do any work myself," Anastasia said. Photo submitted by Anastasia Cipowski-Smith

All Smiles Sitting on a bench, juniors James Sroge and Ben Peters, Anna Speckhard, freshman, and Chloe Jancosek, senior, smile for a camera. The group took dozens of photos so they could post the best ones on Instagram later. "The best part about Prom was watching 'The Emoji Movie' at Cody Phillips' (senior) house afterwords," Ben said. Photo submitted by Chloe Jancosek

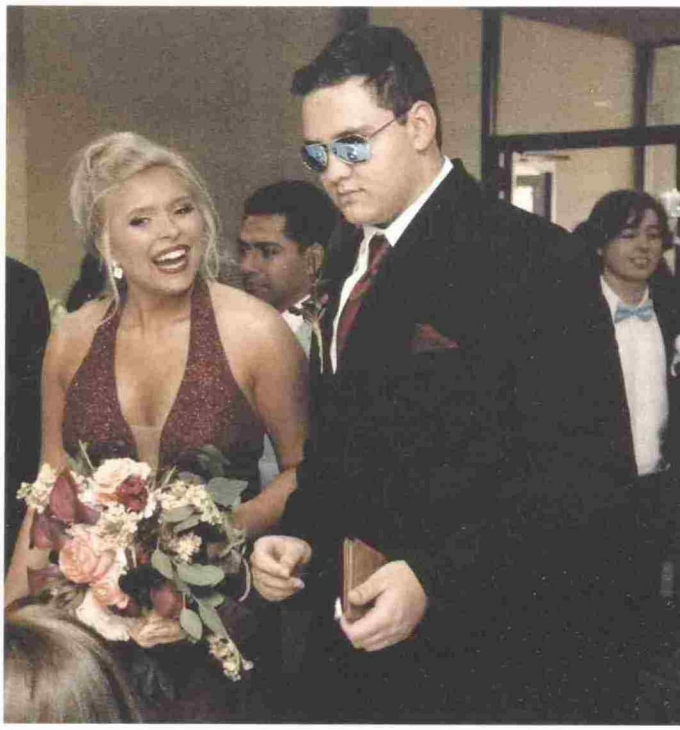


Crowd Pleaser Surrounded by his friends, Nick Swanson, senior, shows off his moves. He had all eyes on him as his friends hyped him up. "I loved being with my friends and dancing to good EDM songs," Nick said. Photo by HR Imaging





Dancing Queen Enjoying the moment, seniors Vanessa Pascual and Alex Eismin dance together. Vanessa was crowned Prom Queen. "It was like something straight out of a movie," Vanessa said. Photo by HR Imaging

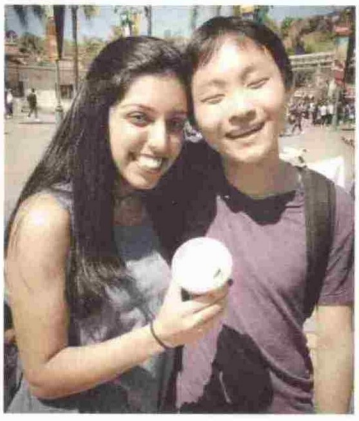


Keeping It Cool Excited for the night ahead, seniors Ally Snyder and Peter Delis sign into their last dance. The two attended Homecoming together senior year and thought it would be fun to go to their last dance together. "I went too hard at prom and ended up needing knee surgury," Ally said. Photo by HR Imaging

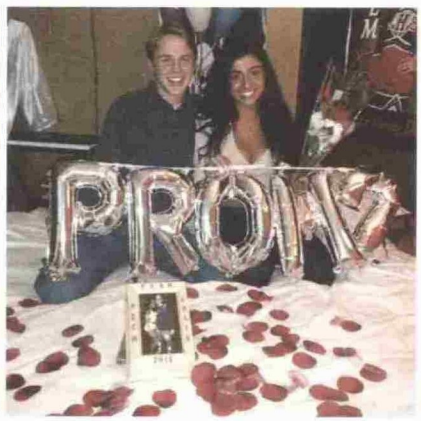
King of Kings Enjoying the moment, Jimmy Forde, senior, dances with Carling Louden, senior at LC. He had just been crowned Prom King. "I was very honored," Jimmy said. "It makes it more sentimental because my sister won her senior year." Photo by HR Imaging

The Art of Asking

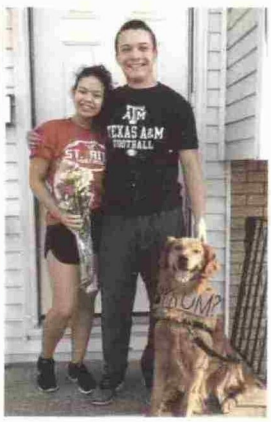
Students figure out special ways to ask their dates to Prom



Disney Date During the choir's trip to California, Evan Dong, senior, asked Anu Arora, junior, to prom. He had 'Prom?' drizzled on top of a coffee while in Disneyland. "She really likes coffee, so it was fitting," Evan said. "It was also easier than trying to bring a poster to California." Photo submitted by Anu Arora



Rose Gold Holding up balloons and flowers, seniors Colin O'Brien and Reem Alsakaji pose for a picture after their prom-posal. Colin went all out for his last dance and covered the whole room in rose petals and fairy lights. "It took time, but she was worth it," Colin said. Photo submitted by Colin O'Brien



Wing Man After asking Jacqueleen Gonzalez, senior, to prom, Aaron Richards, senior, poses with her for a photo. He had some help from his dog, Bear. "Bear obeys me the most and is calm, so I had him help me," Aaron said. Photo by Sydney Pastor

WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

Who's your dream prom date?

- ☐ David Beckham — Kendal Ziel, 12
- ☐ Robert Downey Jr — Emri Forelt, 12
- ☐ Michelle Obama — Joey Wieklinski, 12
- ☐ Nicki Minaj — Connor Nussbaum, 12
- ☐ Hazel English — Brendan Bleza, 11
- ☐ Tom Holland — Kelly Collins, 11

WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

What would you name your band?

- ☐ Nostalgia Trip — Alejandro Flores, 12
- ☐ The Big Girls — Lauren Ruiz, 11
- ☐ The Finessers — Trinitee Hassan, 10
- ☐ Detention — Gretchen Wineinger, 11
- ☐ xoxo, Gossip Girl — Katelyn Sarmiento, 11
- ☐ Wonkers — Kaitlyn Munoz, 9
- ☐ The Best Band — Ben Ondo, 9

Strings Ringing Playing the guitar, Kelli Little, junior, sings her own cover of "Runnin'" by Beyoncé. She auditioned and played to an even bigger audience at the event. "I didn't know what to expect, but I knew a lot of these people and it both helped and worsened my nerves," Kelli said. "I was so happy I got in. I was more okay with performing in front of larger crowds than I ever was before." Photo by Easan Venkat

Scientist Sings Performing her duet, Ariel Velasco, sophomore, sings loud and clear at Battle. She and her duet partner chose to sing the song "The Scientist" by Coldplay, as it held important significance to her. "The lyrics were sweet and I used to hear that song a lot, so I thought it would be fun to compete with," Ariel said. Photo by Melanie Powers

It's On Their Set-List

All four competing bands share their set-lists for the big night

Nilla Funk
Jump (Teaser) - Van Halen
Treasure - Bruno Mars
Shake a Tail Feather - Ray Charles
Superstition - Stevie Wonder
September - Earth, Wind, & Fire
Source Kess Vaitkus, 12

Free Ice Cream
Under Cover of Darkness - The Strokes
Mr. Brightside - The Killers
Valerie - Amy Winehouse
I Will Survive - Gloria Gaynor
Source Milena Trivunovic, 10

The Neighbors
Tunnels - Arcade Fire
Wake Me Up - Avicii
Waves - The Dear Hunter
The World - The Family Crest
Source Robert Wente, 12

Sunshine Definition
Good Times Bad Times - Led Zeppelin
Under The Bridge - Red Hot Chili Peppers
Seduction - Original: Ty & Kyle
1979 - The Smashing Pumpkins
Sunday Bloody Sunday - U2
Source Ty Hesterman, 10

Rising Stars Just after finishing their set, Kess Vaitkus, senior, wins the crowd and the judges with his band, Nilla Funk. He played the electric guitar and helped the band win for a second time. "I just went out there and tried to put on a good show for the people," Kess said. Photo by Chloe Lambert

Turning Heads Feeling the crowd, Milena Trivunovic, sophomore, performs in the band, Free Ice Cream, along with a few of her close friends. She was nervous performing on the stage at first, but felt more comfortable as the set went on. "I got more comfortable after being up there," Milena said. "You were surrounded by your friends, you just had to find your group of people in the audience." Photo by Chloe Lambert

Tied Up in TALENT

The tying talent acts describe their preparation process

Story by Catie Gilhooly

Practice. Perfect. Perform. Before Battle of the Bands competition, everyone went through the audition process.

"There were a lot of really talented people, so we didn't know if we were going to make it through auditions," Ariel Velasco, sophomore, said. She and harpist Zoe O'Shaughnessy, sophomore, competed with a lyrical vocal/harp duet.

Once auditions were over, the talent increased their practice time. Striving for perfection, Kelli Little, junior, practiced her cover of Beyoncé's song "Runnin'" as often as she could to work out every detail.

"The biggest thing I was worried about was the more technical stuff, like missing a chord on the guitar," Kelli said.

Ariel and Zoe's duet went through major changes from the time of their audition to their performance; they changed their song to "The Scientist" by Coldplay because it better suited Ariel's voice.

"We were worried people wouldn't like our song because it didn't sound the exact same as the original," Zoe said.

The moment they were all waiting for came on March 2. Under the auditorium lights, emotions ran high.

"I didn't realize how one-on-one it was with the audience until I was up there," Kelli said. "I forgot to turn on my amp during the performance because I was so in awe of everyone being there."

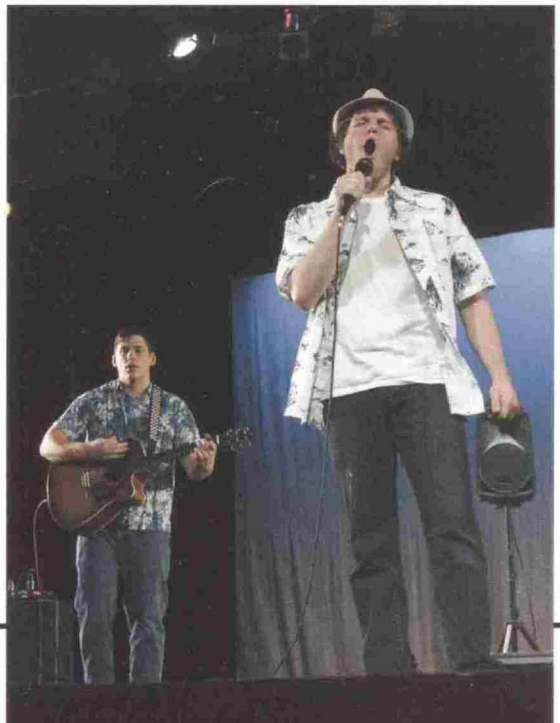
For Ariel, there was relief when she walked off-stage following their set.

"After the performance, I felt really amazing just knowing I'd finally done it and I hadn't messed up," Ariel said.

The talent competition finished with the two acts tying for first place, each with a $50 prize and major bragging rights.

"Just getting to say I tied for first in the Battle of the Bands," Kelli said, "was an awesome award in itself."

Perfect Tune Practicing in the basement of a fellow band member, Riley McKeever, senior, Emma Stevens, junior, and Serena Alvarez, sophomore, would meet up with Nilla Funk members every Sunday for a couple hours. They would run through their songs to make sure they were transitioning well. "I really enjoyed playing with the people in the band and it has made my high school experience even better," Emma said. Photo by Melanie Powers



Rock It Out Performing together, seniors Robert Wente and Cody Phillips entertain the crowd with different genres of music such as jazz, rock, and soul. Their band, The Neighbors, came together and incorporated all types of instruments for a different sound. "There was so much power and energy from the audience, it was surreal," Cody said. Photo by Melanie Powers

Third Time's the Charm

As a three-time winner of Battle of the Bands, Andrew Rapata, senior, shares his tips for success

DO's

- Set a specific setlist to reduce arguments
- Surround yourself with like-minded musicians

DON'Ts

- Be a statue on stage
- Make your set seem overrehearsed

Bringing it all TOGETHER

Munster Theatre Company puts on their first Jungle Party to entertain kids and work on refining their improvisation and other acting skills

Story by Catie Gilhooly

For the first time, the Munster Theatre Company organized a children's event called the Jungle Party, which took place in the cafeteria a few hours before the final Sunday matinee of Disney's "Tarzan," their spring musical.

"The party really just got kids excited for the show by having them do things that were related to the theme and concept," Mr. Raymond Palasz, director, said. "It was a great way to engage our youngest audience members a little bit more."

The party included an obstacle course, face painting, snacks and treats before the show, and special appearances by many of the show's characters. Maya Radjenovich, junior, played the role of Jane and enjoyed spending time in character with the kids while brushing up on her acting skills.

"The party helped us because we were so immersed into our characters for an hour and a half straight," Maya said.

While they were at the party, the cast had to stay in character, even while playing with kids. For Ben Peters, junior, who played Tarzan, this was a challenge that he was ready to take on.

"The hardest part was staying in character, but I think that the role really became a part of me because we rehearsed so much," Ben said.

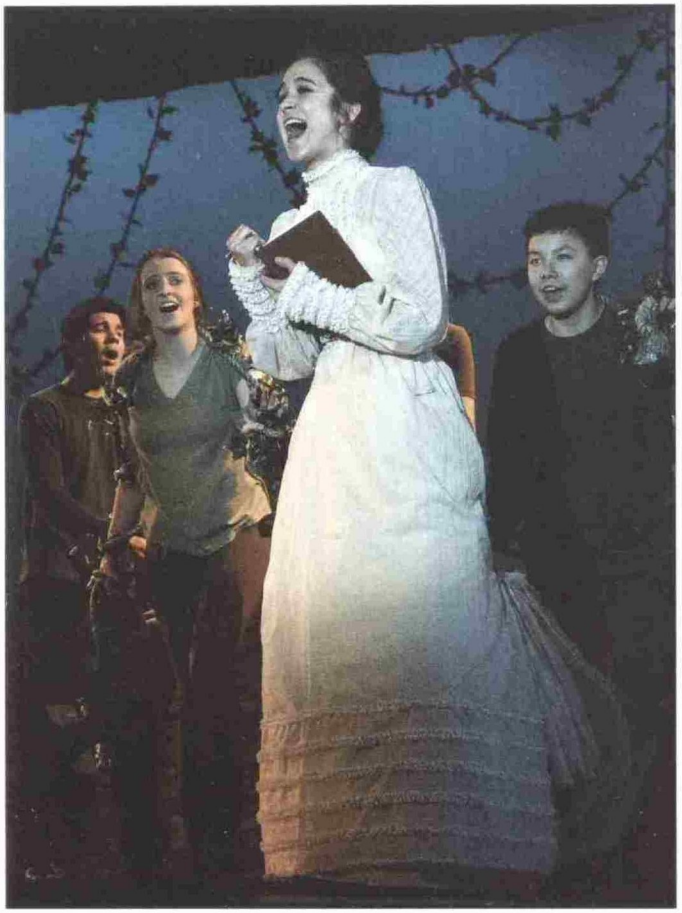
During the event, they were able to fully interact with the kids and develop their characters in a new way.

"The kids were so into the characters, and seeing them so excited was the best part of all," Maya said. "At one point, we had five little girls sitting around us and we all taught Tarzan how to frost a cupcake."

As for Tarzan and Jane, the jungle adventures ended that weekend, but the message of "two worlds, one family" would not be forgotten by the cast.

"While all these proper English people were telling Jane to tone it down, this man who had no idea about human civilization still loves her for who she is," Maya said. "Sharing that story that it's okay to be different and rely on other people that are different to show you love was huge."

Setting the Stage Singing "Son of Man," Ben Peters, junior, stands in the spotlight as Tarzan. This song was Ben's first appearance in the show. "Playing Tarzan was fun because I got to act like a monkey and crawl around onstage," Ben said. **Waiting For This Moment** As her character arrives in the jungle, Maya Radjenovich, junior, takes in the nature around her. Jane, Maya's character and a botanist, named all of the plants she came across in Latin. "I think my excitement for playing her character completely came through in her excitement for seeing the jungle," Maya said. **Fateful Farewell** Before leaving for England, Jane, Maya Radjenovich, junior, says her final goodbye to Tarzan, Ben Peters, junior. The two characters communicated through hand gestures— their only common language. "I didn't really realize until I got older why I loved [Jane] so much," Maya said, "She didn't let the men in her life tell her that she was incapable of doing research because she was a woman." Photos by Lilia Brunetti

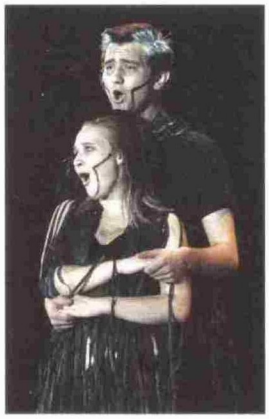


Waiting in the Wings

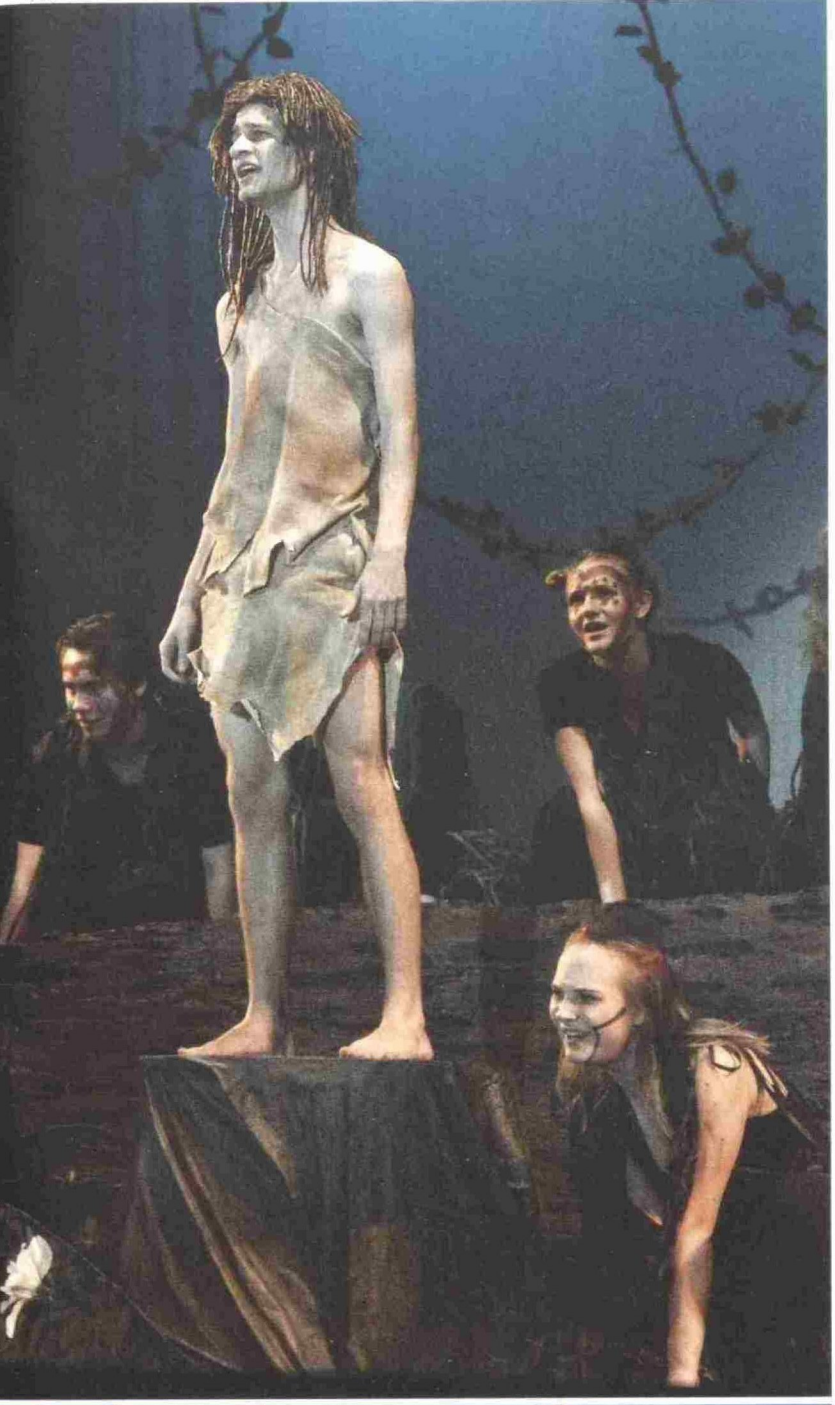
Two understudies share their feelings of being in the spotlight for one night only

"Right before we started, I was extremely nervous. But after I went out and did my first part, **my confidence went up.**"
—Andrew Wittkamp, freshman, playing Young Terk

"It was stressful because **I'd never gone on for him before**, even in rehearsals, so it was nerve-wracking."
—James Sroge, junior, playing Kerchak



Standing By Performing a duet, James Sroge, junior, plays the part of chief ape Kerchak with Chloe Jancosek, senior. He filled in at the Parent Preview performance for Rob Wente, senior, who was sick. "It was really nice having everyone around me supporting and helping me get through it," James said. Photo by Lilia Brunetti



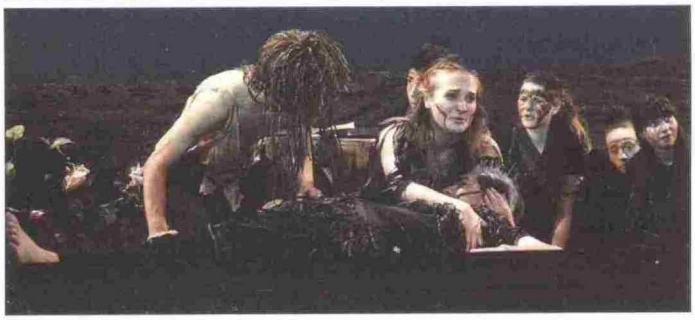
Friendly Advice On stage, Tara Layous, senior, sings her reprise duet with Tarzan, played by Ben Peters, junior. Throughout the number, Tara's character, Terk, gives advice to his best friend, Tarzan, on how to grow up. "I never really sang in front of such a big audience before," Tara said, "Without Mr. (Andrew) Robinson (choir director) I wouldn't have the confidence to do that, if he hadn't told me I could." Photo by Lilia Brunetti

You'll Be in My Heart Bidding goodbye to her murdered husband, Chloe Jancosek, senior, playing Kala, emotionally reflects on her last moment in the show. She sang of her eternal bond to him while holding his body close, surrounded by her ape family. "I was feeling a lot of emotions," Chloe said, "It was a really tough moment on stage because it was my moment to say goodbye to everything I had put on that stage for four years." Photo by Lilia Brunetti

WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

Who would you thank in your Tony Award speech?

- ☐ My catfish Rocket — Clara Terry, 10
- ☐ Ben Peters — Emma Powell, 9
- ☐ My parents — Jack Stork, 10
- ☐ The Newsies Cast — Erin Bryce, 10
- ☐ Miss Summers — Kelly Collins, 11
- ☐ God — Irene Tsakopoulos, 9
- ☐ Jack Black — Cali Grzybowski, 11
- ☐ My best friend — Jamie DeJoan, 10
- ☐ Ms. Lorandos — Claire Powell, 10
- ☐ My parents — Christina Burzynski, 11

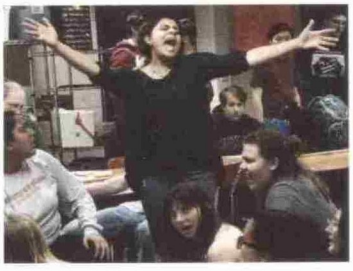


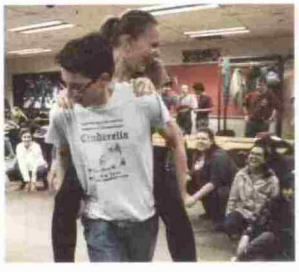
Monkeying Around

The musical's ape chorus reflects on what it takes to be an ape

- always stay in character: never act or speak like humans
- stay hunched over and crouched down at all times
- sing out, especially during "Trashin' the Camp"
- never let anything fall into the pit

Sources: juniors Sara Arndt, Lydia Smith, James Sroge, Abby Watts





Trashin' n' Scattin' During rehearsal, Tara Layous, senior, belts the opening number of the second act, "Trashin' the Camp." "That was a lot of fun, a large part of that song was just scat," Tara said, "and it was really cool to explore that." Photo by Lauren Kozy

Monkey Business While rehearsing the beginning of the second act, Stevie McDunn, junior, practices his lift with Christina Burzynski, junior. "That was a lot of fun," Stevie said, "just messing around on stage with people." Photo by Lauren Kozy

Sports reference

Freshman Baseball

FRESHMAN Overall 10-6-1

Hobart	**20 - 5**
Hobart	**12 - 2**
Highland	**9 - 2**
Highland	**4 - 1**
Kankakee Valley	**5 - 4**
Kankakee Valley	**11 - 1**
Chesterton	**5 - 3**
Chesterton	**15 - 2**
Portage	2 - 12
Portage	**7 - 7**
Andrean	**14 - 1**
Crown Point	1 - 4
Crown Point	**10 - 4**
Valparaiso	1 - 3
Valparaiso	0 - 3
Marian Catholic	6 - 7
Benton Central	2 - 12

(front row) Evan Wittkamp, Mason Cortopassi, Stephen Heritage, Zach Beerling, Joey Hillegonds ***(second row)*** Cayleb Mendoza, Tommy Chioros, Zachary Blair, Derrick Wiening, Ben Greiner, Vincent Foerster ***(back row)*** Coach Mike Mikolajczyk, Kortlynd Lukowski-Foss, Bryce Schaum, Justin Bobb, Michael Morganelli

JV Baseball

JV Overall 12-5

Andrean	**9 - 2**	Highland	1 - 2
Andrean	2 - 3	**Highland**	**3 - 2**
Morton	**11 - 1**	**Lowell**	**11 - 1**
Valparaiso	4 - 5	**Lowell**	**9 - 7**
Kankakee Valley	2 - 6	**Griffith**	**13 - 3**
Kankakee Valley	**5 - 1**	**Portage**	**3 - 0**
Bishop Noll	**11 - 2**	**Boone Grove**	**17 - 4**
Crown Point	**5 - 4**	Lowell	6 - 5

(front row) Evan Lieser, Andrew Manous, Drew Westland, Riley Harris, PJ Katona ***(second row)*** Ronnie Nowak, Kyle Basile, Michael Biel, Adam Daniels, Alphonzo Franks, Cris Aguilar ***(back row)*** Coach Matthew Backs, Josh Batur, Mikey Schassburger, Will Melby, Ronan Meyer

Varsity Baseball

VARSITY Overall 7-11

Andrean	2 - 5
Andrean	7 - 9
Gary	**19 - 1**
East Chicago	**16 - 1**
Hobart	5 - 6
Hobart	**5 - 2**
New Haven	**18 - 4**
Kankakee Valley	**10 - 5**
Kankakee Valley	**12 - 0**
Bishop Noll	1 - 5
Lake Central	4 - 7
Highland	7 - 12
Highland	9 - 14
Crown Point	4 - 8
Lowell	**4 - 1**
Lowell	3 - 6
Portage	0 - 4
Griffith	3 - 5

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(front row) Alex Weakland, Jimmy Forde, Nick Fies, Jeff Ballard, Nick Hamilton, Carson Ramirez ***(second row)*** Xavier Unzueta, Josh Dragicevich, Cade Howard, Matt Manous, Garrett Manous, Ryan Thometz, Anthony Ruffalo ***(back row)*** Coach Mike Mikolajczyk, Coach Matthew Backs, Matt Tripenteldas, Costa Sirounis, Jake Anderson, Will Melby, John Premetz, Coach Bob Shinkan

Boys' Golf

VARSITY Overall 11-2 (5-0)

Hobart Invite	**105**	**1st of 6**
Lake Central	172 - 166	
Highland	**172 - 207**	
Portage	**160 - 176**	
Chesterton	171 - 158	
Indian Classic	344	14th of 16
Griffith	**166 - 189**	
Highland NCC	**155 - 178**	
Boone Grove	**163 - 187**	
Andrean NCC	**165 - 183**	
Rensselaer Invite	325	2nd of 15
Hobart NCC	**164 - 196**	
Hanover Central	**156 - 162**	
Lowell NCC	**169 - 185**	
LC Invite	331	3rd of 15
Kankakee Valley NCC	**163 - 192**	
NCC Tournament	**329**	**1st**
Sectional	334	2nd

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(front row) Brink Wolak, Max Ladd, Tony Daniels, Merrick Lieser, Adam Wisniewski ***(back row)*** Coach Bill Smilka, Luke Dragicevich, John Stanko, Josh Novosel, Louis Dallecarbonare *not pictured: Easan Venkat*

JV Overall 10-10

Lake Central	2 - 14
Bishop Noll	**19 - 10**
Portage	9 - 14
Lowell	3 - 5
Hanover Central	**11 - 1**
Highland	**18 - 5**
Kankakee Valley	6 - 9
Griffith	**14 - 1**
Kankakee Valley	2 - 12
Lake Central	1 - 5
Crown Point	**17 - 2**
Crown Point	7 - 19
Lowell	2 - 3
Hobart	**12 - 6**
Hobart	**13 - 2**
Highland	**6 - 5**
Penn	0 - 11
Highland	**8 - 4**
Lowell	**16 - 9**
Chesterton	10 - 4

JV Softball

(front row) Anne Foreit, Hannah Foster, Lexi Lindenmayer, Priscilla Gallardo, Sydney Skrobot, Holly Kaim, Grace Helmer ***(second row)*** Coach Jill Wichert, Mia Adamus, Ava Cundiff, Melina Chioros, Ariel Gallardo, Karyn Beirutl, Brianna Egebrecht, Coach Kathleen LaPorte ***(back row)*** Sydni Branch, Olivia Candelaria, Olivia Quinones, Kya Vesa, Marisa Chavez, Sydney Foster, Delaney McGinty

VARSITY Overall 15-9

Hanover Central	**9 - 1**
Lake Central	4 - 8
Bishop Noll	**4 - 0**
Portage	**10 - 0**
Andrean	**12 - 2**
Lowell	2 - 7
South Bend St. Joseph	**7 - 6**
Kankakee Valley	**6 - 5**
Highland	**3 - 2**
Andrean	**8 - 2**
Griffith	**8 - 1**
Illiana Christian	**13 - 0**
Kankakee Valley	0 - 13
Crown Point	2 - 9
Lowell	**6 - 4**
Western	2 - 5
Frontier	**14 - 5**
Hobart	**7 - 4**
Hobart	**8 - 0**
Highland	3 - 5
Penn	4 - 5
Lincoln-Way Central	2 - 4
LaPorte	4 - 5
Chesterton	**3 - 2**

Varsity Softball

(front row) Sara Mavity, Rebecca Radtke, Amy Kaniewski, Emily Dato, Dayton Elliott ***(second row)*** Daija Williams, Jordan Duff, Sarah Johnson, Madeline Foreit, Samantha Sellers, Viviana Gonzales ***(third row)*** Coach Tom DeGiulio, Coach Beth Raspopovich, Hailey Sullivan, Alexander Lesinski, Coach Dan Sims

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VARSITY Overall 16-1

Crown Point	**5 - 0**	**South Bend**	
Lowell	**5 - 0**	**St. Joseph**	**3-2**
Highland	**5 - 0**	**Valparaiso**	**5-0**
Penn	**4 - 1**		
Lake Central	**5 - 0**	Sectionals	
Hobart	**5 - 0**	**Highland**	**5-0**
Andrean	**5 - 0**	**Hammond**	**5-0**
Kankakee Valley	**5 - 0**		
Park Tudor	**5 - 0**	Semi-state	
Guerin Catholic	**4 - 1**	Carmel	1-4
Lafayette Harrison	**4 - 1**		
Michigan City			
Marquette	**5 - 0**		

JV Overall 11-1

Crown Point	**8 -4**	**Andrean**	**11-2**
Lowell	**11-0**	**Park Tudor**	**4 -0**
Highland	**8 -1**	**Guerin Catholic**	**7 -0**
Penn	**6 -1**	**Lafayette Harrison**	**5 -4**
Lake Central	**13-2**	**Michigan City**	
Hobart	**12-0**	**Marquette**	**11-0**
		Valparaiso	5 -7

Girls' Tennis

(front row) Kayla Gruber, Monica Fronczek, Natalia Salazar, Shalini Tallamraju, Hazel Wolf, Maria Delis, Keili Canul, Dana Savarino, Adalyn Klawitter, Karolina Sroka ***(second row)*** Lily Yalowitz, Jenny Watterson, Jess Wiess, Coach Patrick Sphar, Taryn German, Maeve Riley, Coach Dave Catmeyer, Shriya Iyer, Emily Rakich, Ananya Sharma, Megan Flynn, Ami Shah, Alyse Lepir, Natalie Mansour ***(back row)*** Hailey Fortener, Mira Fetterman, Taylor Raycraft, Sydney Macek, Shivani Collur, Devshree Patel, Srija Thipirneni

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WHAT'S ON YOUR LIST?

If you were a professional athlete, who would you want to endorse you?

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- ☐ Adidas — Hidaya Musleh, 11
- ☐ Vans — Diana Ortiz, 12
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- ☐ Nike — Maria Barron, 9
- ☐ Adidas — Shalini Tallamraju, 10
- ☐ Gatorade — Cymphani Carey, 9
- ☐ Chipotle — Myra Peralta, 9
- ☐ Vitamin Water — Fatima Mahmood, 12
- ☐ Under Armour — Brink Walak, 9
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Kankakee Valley	85.53	- 46.5
Lowell	45	- 87
Andrean	79	- 53
Highland	74	- 58
Hobart	47	- 85
Sectionals	2nd (130 pts)	

Boys' Track and Field

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VARSITY NCC 5-0

Ed Woodrick Invite Champion
NCC Champions
Sectional Champions

Individual meet scores not available

Girls' Track and Field

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Gilhooly, Catie *3, 10, 25, 26*
Glowacki, Moira *3*, 10, 30
Gonzales, Erin 30
Gonzales, Viviana 29
Gonzalez, Jacqueleen 23
Gonzalez, Leslie 20
Grabelle, Devin 3
Graham, Taylor 28
Grapenthien, William 20
Groen, Tyler 20
Gronkiewicz, Devin 30
Gruber, Kayla 29
Grzybowski, Cali 27
Guerrero, Mia 30

H Hot dogs served in the cafeteria for opening day of Major League Baseball

Hamilton, Nikola 15, 28
Hammermeister, Gwynn 4
Harris, Devon 30
Harris, Riley 20, 28
Hassan, Trinitee 10, 24, 30
Hawkins, Deven 30
Helmer, Grace 29
Helmer, Jaycee 4
Hemingway, Kathryn 30
Henderson, Amir 12, 30
Herrera, Monica 18, 19
Hester, Gregory 29
Hesterman, Ty 24
Hillegonds, Joseph 3
Homans, Taylor *19*
Hoogewerf, Joshua 12, 13, 30
Horn, Ian 20
Howard, Cade 14, 15, 28
Hyland, Ryan 29

I Mr. Apel, National Honor Society, is back with new members

Igue, Ameer 30
Ingoglia, Gabrielle 30
Irfan, Waaniya 6
Iwachiw, Clarissa 5
Iyer, Shriya 6, 20, 29

J Jimmy John's Big Faneuil delivers are popular with students

Jancosek, Chloe 22, 26, 27
Jen, Nicole 4
Jenkins, Samantha 5
Joens, Justin 30
Johnson, Sarah 16, 29
Juarez, Mariah 2

K King Jimmy Forde and Queen Vanessa Pascual crowned at Prom

Kaim, Holly 29
Kaniewski, Amy 16, 17, 29
Karl, Brianna 30
Katona, Paul 28
Kavanaugh, Abigail 28
Kekelik, Carson 30
Kim, Brian 30
Kirincic, Christopher 30
Klawitter, Adalyn 6, 29
Korman, Jay 30
Kozy, Lauren 27
Kranc, Cody 21
Krieg, James 30

L Lunchtime gets updated with TVs, new and new food lines

Ladd, Max 9, 28
Lakomek, Madison 10, 30
Lambert, Chloe *12, 16, 24*
Lambert, Donovan 30
Lanman, Ms. Sarah-Anne 3
LaPorte, Mrs. Kathleen 29
Lash, Samuel 12, 30
Latinovich, William 30
Layous, Tara 2, 27
Lemke, Lillian 5
Lepir, Alyse 7, 28, 29
Lesinski, Alexander 29
Lieser, Evan 28
Lieser, Merrick 8, 9, 28
Lindenmayer, Alexis 29
Linnane, Antonia 30
Little, Kelli 22, 24, 25
Lyons, Rachel 2

M Coast Leroy Marsh retires from coaching baseball after 43 years

Ma, Richard 12, 30
Macek, Sydney 29
Mahmood, Fatima 29
Majety, Anushka 20
Malagon, Isabella 30
Manous, Andrew 28
Manous, Garrett 14, 15, 28
Manous, Matthew 2, 28
Mansour, Natalie 29
Marcus, Joseph 12, 30
Mardyla, Melissa 4
Marich, Maxwell 4, 30
Mavity, Sara 16, 29
McComis, Ella 30
McComis, William 12, 30
McCraw, Joseph 22
McDunn, Steven 27
McGinty, Delaney 29
McKeever, James 25
McLeod, Christopher 2, 30
Medina, Luciano 21
Melby, William 28
Meyer, Connor 2, 21
Meyer, Ronan 15, 28
Mikolajczyk, Mr. Mike 28
Mongerie, Aleena 30
Montoya, Noah 22
Moore, Kammy *3, 13, 19, 22*
Moreno, Taylor 4
Mudrancik, Emily *2, 3, 6*
Munoz, Kaitlyn 24
Musleh, Hidaya 29

N New tablets allow students to sign in and out of Media Center

Nahnsen, Alyssa 11, 30
Nahnsen, Matthew 30
Nelson, Matilde 10
Nita, Abigail 10, 30
Nita, Ashley 30
Novosel, Joshua 9, 28
Nowak, Ronald 28
Nussbaum, Connor 4, 23

O Opening of new restaurants in Centennial Village on Calumet

O'Brien, Colin 23
O'Mara, Rylee 30
O'Shaughnessy, Zoe 25
Oganovich, Kailyn 28, 30
Olivencia-Duque, Juan 30
Olmstead, Taylor 28
Ondo, Benjamin 24
Oniah, Afamefuna 12, 13, 30
Ortiz, Diana 29
Ortiz, Prisilla 19

P Percussion wins State Finals at Winter Percussion for first time

Padilla, Ashley 30
Palasz, Mr. Raymond 26
Papanikolaou, Lola Fay 30
Pascual, Vanessa 23, 31
Paskewicz, Erin 30
Pastor, Sydney *3, 14, 15, 21, 23*
Patel, Adit 29
Patel, Devshree 29
Peck, Iris 30
Peddi, Khavand 12, 21, 30
Pegue, Payton 29
Peralta, Myra 29
Peters, Benjamin 5, 22, 26, 27
Phillips, Cody 22, 25
Pina, Arianna 5
Poole, Noah 30
Porter, Lily 4
Porter, Sophia 11, 21, 30
Powell, Claire 18, 19, 27
Powell, Emma 27
Powers, Melanie 24, 25
Premetz, Mr. John 28

Q Dairy Queen hosts free cone day on 1st day of spring

Quinones, Olivia 29

R Release date of "Avengers: Infinity War" was Apr. 27

Radjenovich, Maya 26
Radtke, Rebecca 16, 17, 29
Raffin, Holden 5
Rakich, Emily 6, 28, 29
Ramirez, Carson 15, 28
Rangel, Chyan 30
Rapata, Andrew 25
Raspopovich, Ms. Beth 29
Raycroft, Taylor 29
Reardon, Victoria *8, 9*
Reed, Kylie 11, 30
Reyna, Tyler 30
Richards, Aaron 23
Richards, Javaughn 18, 21
Riley, Maeve 29
Roberts, Nicole 18
Robinson, Mr. Andrew 27
Rodriguez, Isabel 19
Roe, Joseph 2
Rojas, William 29
Rubio, Yalissa 10, 30
Rucinski, Maria 4
Ruffalo, Anthony 14, 15, 28
Ruiz, Lauren 24

S Speech wins State Championship for eighth consecutive win

Sadural, Arianne 18
Safi, Adam 12, 30
Salamanca, Hannah 30
Salazar, Natalia *6, 7*, 29
Sarkar, Srishti 20
Sarmiento, Katelyn 24
Savarino, Dana 6, 29
Savickis, Ashley 5
Schassburger, Michael 15, 28
Scott, Carey 2
Segvich, Oliver 30
Sellers, Samantha 29
Seydel, Christopher 30
Seydel, Mr. Guy 30
Shah, Ami 20, 29
Sharma, Ananya 20, 29
Shedrich, Carmani 30
Shelton, Benjamin 30
Shine, Adeyah 30
Shinkan, Mr. Bob 15, 28
Short, Zoé 29
Simpson, Presley 21
Sims, Erianna 19
Sims, Mr. Dan 16, 29
Sirounis, Costa 15, 28
Skrobot, Sydney 29
Sluder, Mr. Richard 30
Smith, Christopher 12, 30
Smith, Lydia 20, 27
Smitka, Mr. Bill 9, 28
Snyder, Allison 23
Speckhard, Anna 22
Spicer, Alec 22
Springsteen, Samuel 21
Sroge, James 22, 26, 27
Sroka, Karolina 5, 6, 29
Stamper, Mr. John 30
Stankiewicz, Amy 3
Stanko, John 9, 28
Stephan, William 30
Stevens, Emma 25, 30
Stewart, James 30
Stofko, Lauren 5
Stooksbury, Audrey 11, 30
Stork, Jack 5, 27
Stricker, Eli 5
Sudar, George 29
Sullivan, Hailey 16, 29
Suoranta, Megan 29
Swanson, Nick 23
Szala, Nicholas 12, 30
Szymanski, Megan *6, 7*

T "Tarzan" performs six times the first weekend in May.

Tallamraju, Shalini 6, 7, 29
Tarpo, Jessica 5
Taylor, Caeden 30
Terek, Mia 30
Terry, Clara 27, 30
Thipirneni, Srija 29
Thomas, Caleb 29
Thometz, Ryan 14, 15, 28
Thompson, Rebecca 30
Torres, Lucy 5
Tripenfeldas, Matthew 15, 28
Trivunovic, Milena 18, 24
Tsakopoulos, Irene 5, 27
Tsirtsis, Leonidas 12, 30
Tumacder, Mia 30

U Undefeated regular season for Girls' Track & Field for 20th year

Unzueta, Xavier 15, 28
Urbaniak, Declan 30
Uylaki, Ella 2

V Virginia defeats Michigan 17-62 in March Madness 2nd R.

Vaitkus, Kestutis *2, 9, 12, 13, 14, 15, 18, 19, 24*
Vaughn, Chynna 19
Velasco, Ariel 5, 24, 25
Vellutini, Gina 21
Venkat, Easan 8, 9, 24
Vesa, Kya 29

W West Lake starts dissolving between MHS & Lake Central

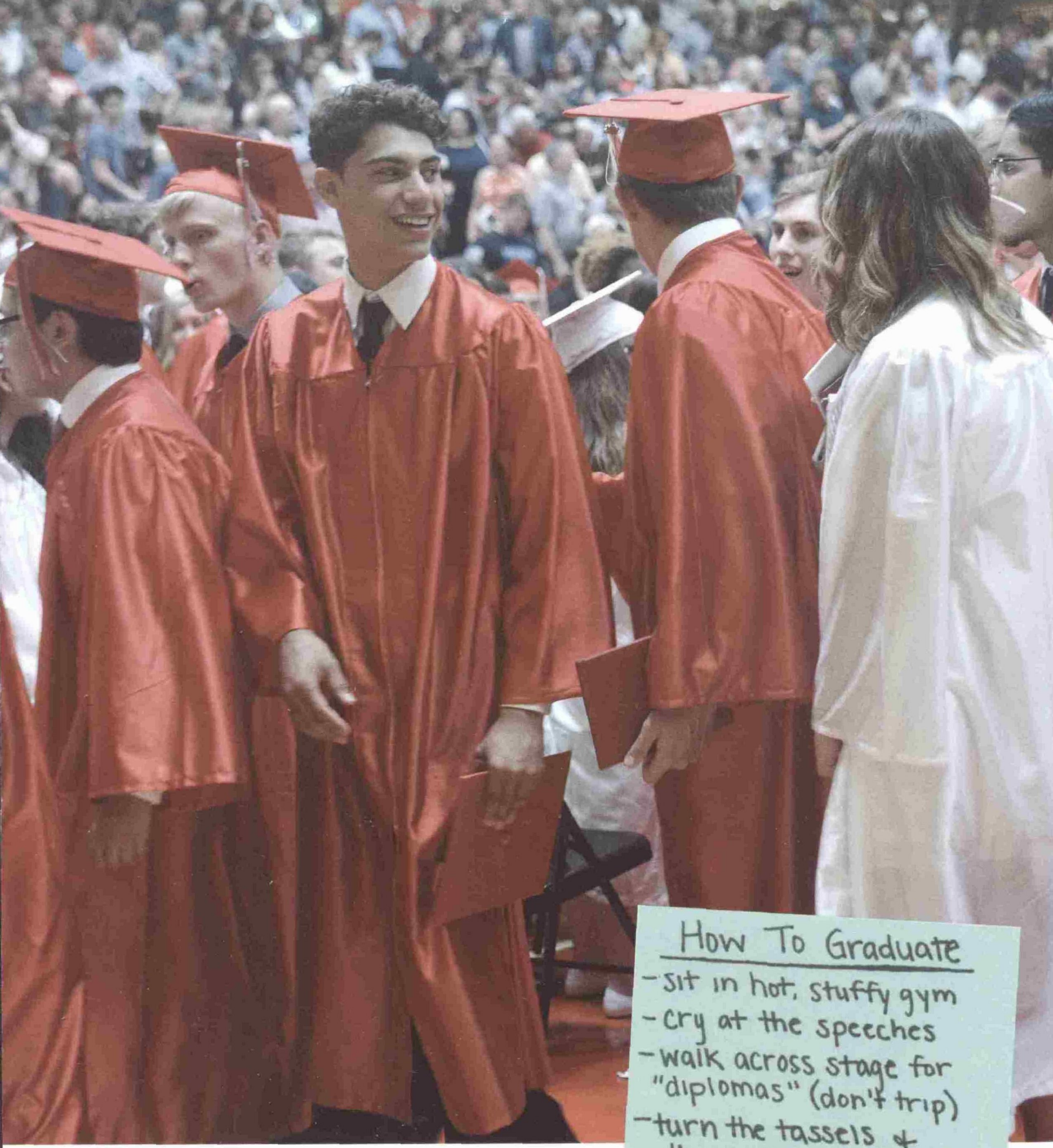
Wallace, Caitlin 3
Warner, Jaden 12, 13, 30
Watterson, Jennifer 29
Watts, Abigail 27
Weakland, Alexander 28
Wente, Robert 24, 25, 26
Westland, Drew 28
Wichert, Ms. Jill 29
Wiess, Jessica 6, 29
Williams, Daija 29
Williams, Victoria 5
Wineinger, Gretchen 24, 30
Winter Percussion18
Wisniewski, Adam 5, 28
Wittkamp, Andrew 26
Wleklinski, Joey 23
Wolak, Brink 9, 28, 29
Wolf, Hazel 29
Wolski, Megan *3*

Y Yodeling Walmart boy performs at Coachella

Wright, Alexandra 29
Yalowitz, Lily 29
Ylo, Nicholas 12, 30

Z Mark Zuckerberg defends Facebook privacy violations

Young, Robert 2
Zachary, Andrew 12, 13, 30
Zatorski, Joshua 30
Ziel, Kendal 23
Zuniga, Clara 10, 28, 30



Step Into the Future Surrounded by classmates, Noah Montoya, senior, walks out of the graduation ceremony. The senior class was now officially done with high school. "I was happy to finally be done and sharing the moment with everyone was nice," Noah said. "It was very bittersweet." *Photo by Elizabeth Fonseca*

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I haven't been everywhere yet, but
IT'S ON MY
LIST

After receiving the spring supplement, which you will receive in the summer, please remove the strip and place the adhesive part of the binding in the space indicated to the left.

☑ make
☐ pass out
☐ watch horror movies

To do

- Common App...
- Scholarships..
- Sleep?
- HW

Bucket list FOR 2017

- go to Europe
- go to County Line
- visit the MCA in Chicago
- try a new food
- find a new band/genre

Friends Cast:
- Ross
- Chand
- Moni
- Rach
- Joey
- Pho

Favorite Books

TO DO LIST:

- laundry
- homework
- make dentist appt.
- clean room
- go to doctor b/c I have strep throat

Thi
rejec
scary movies
failure
dark
hours
space

October

- register for SAT
- go to a haunted house
- get halloween costume

Trump Co
1. "Fake News
2. Russian Probe
3. Steve Bannon
4. "Shoot someone on 5th Avenue"
5. "Hillary Clinton is a ..."
6. Khizir Khan
7. Wall on Mexican Border
8. Jeff Sessions
9. Wherever K. Conway
10. Throwing paper towe
Hurricane Maria victim

To Do:
- make a list ☺
- actually do my Chem homework
- study for my 3 math tests
- the last cookie from the
ookie jar
LEEP

- take notes + study for Gov. (case study)
- workout Wed.-Frid.
- Spanish Club field trip Sund.
- finish applying to colleges
- find Halloween costume
- job applications by Friday
- get Gov. slip signed
- turn in college trip
absen
BE

Travel List

1. Spain
2. England
3. Japan
4. Galapagos Islands
5. Costa Rica

Places to go!

- Greece
- Italy

ppalachian trail
sit the Burning Man
stival
visit mongolia & ride a
horse there
live throughout Europe for
year of my life